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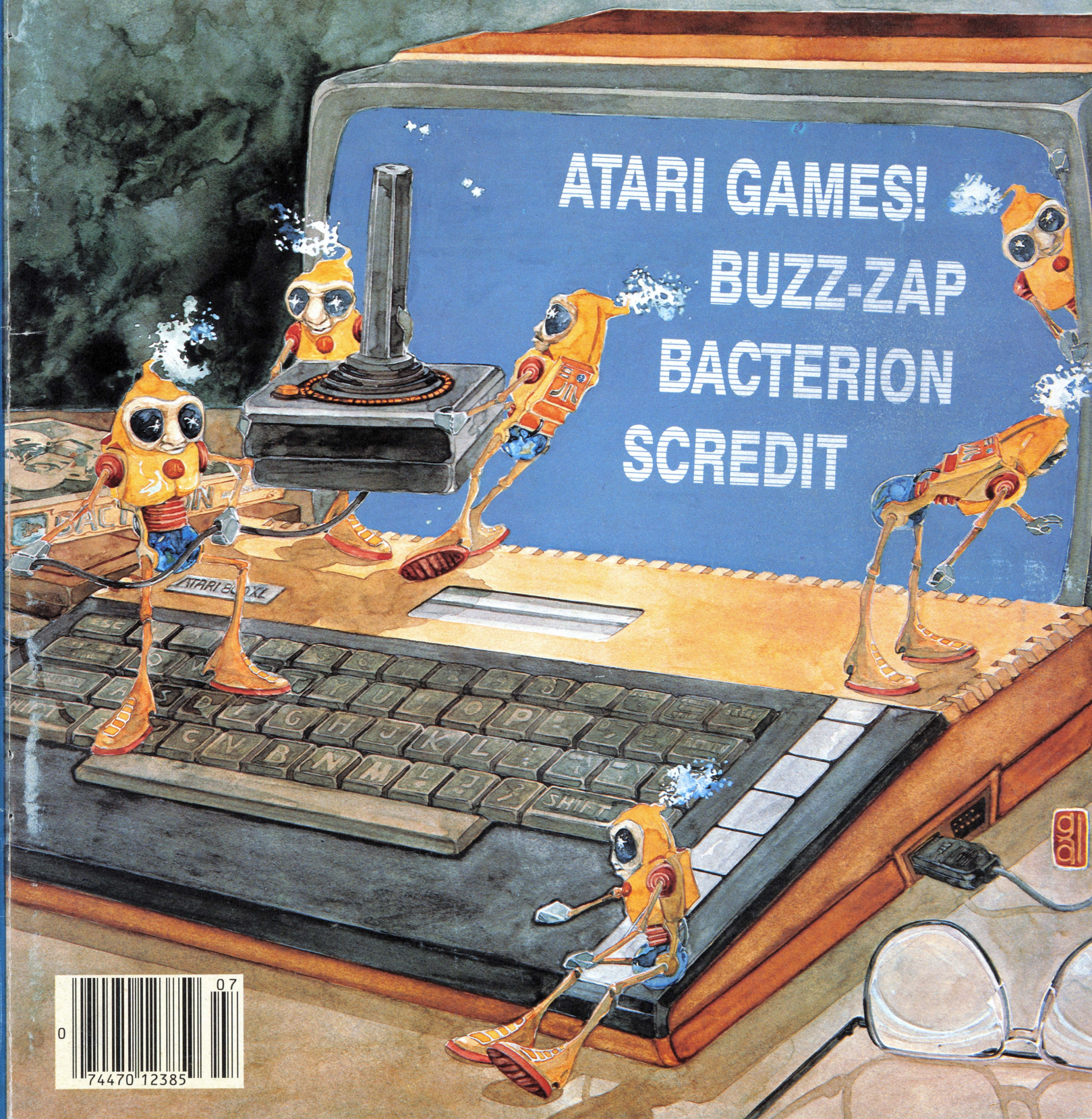
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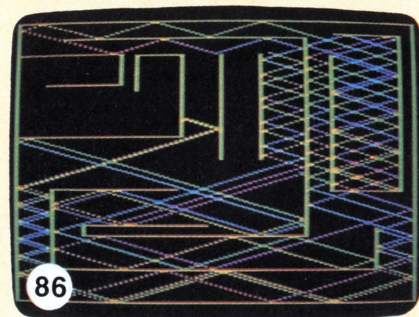
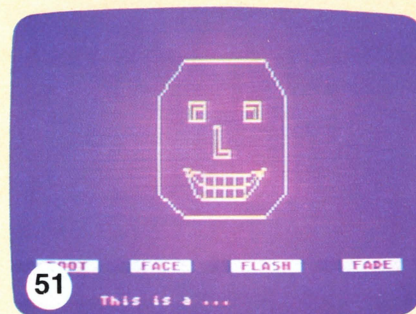
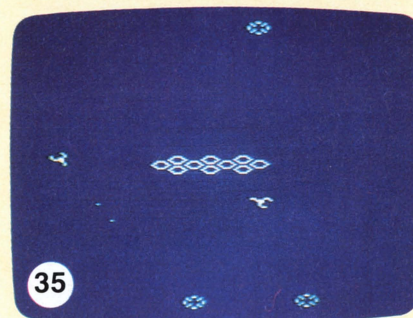
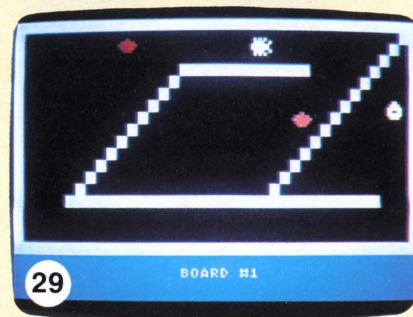
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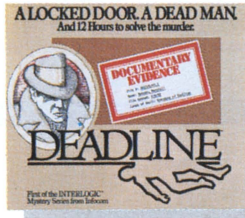
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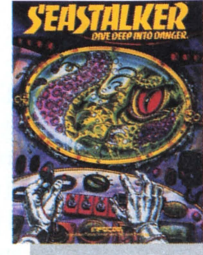
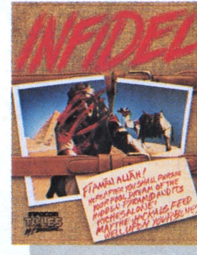
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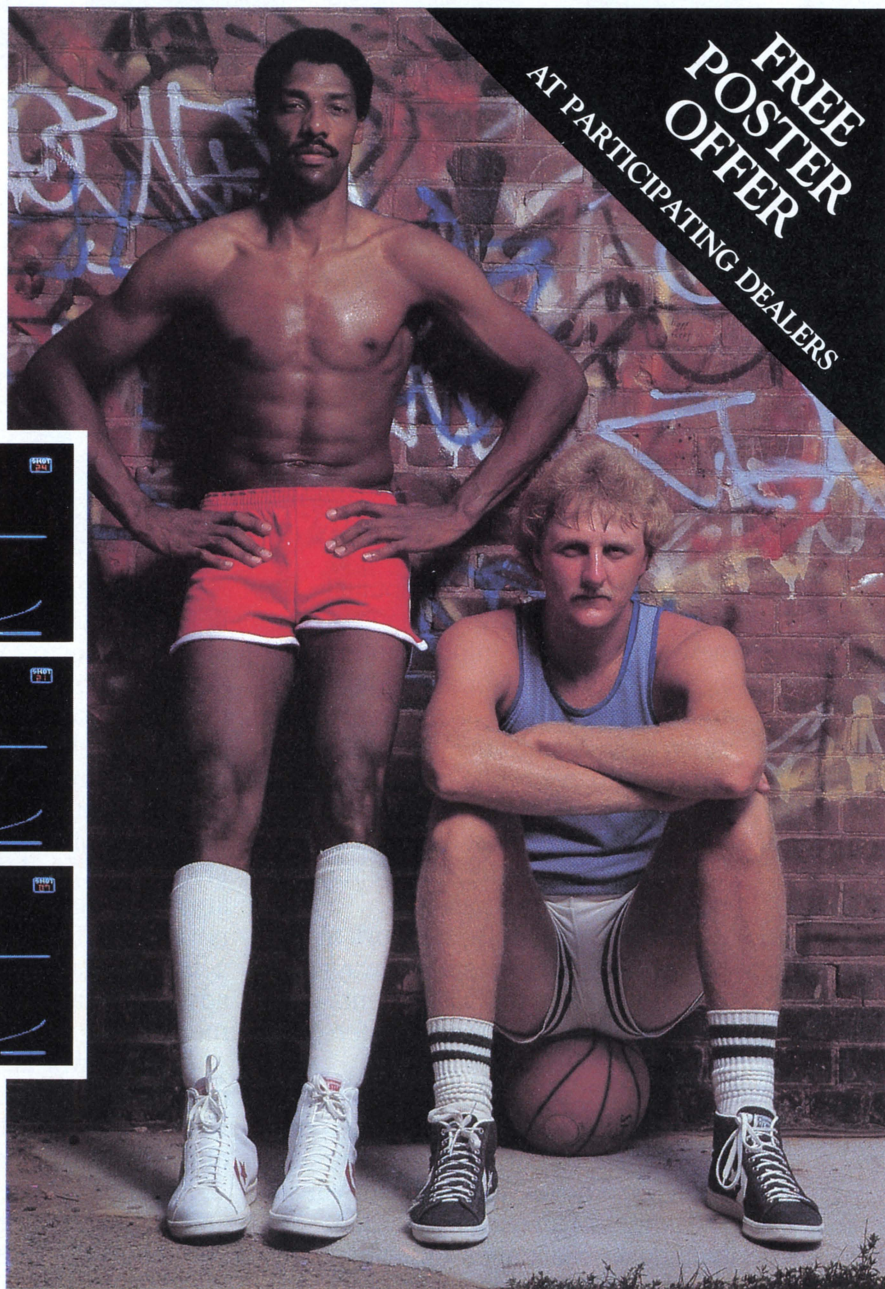
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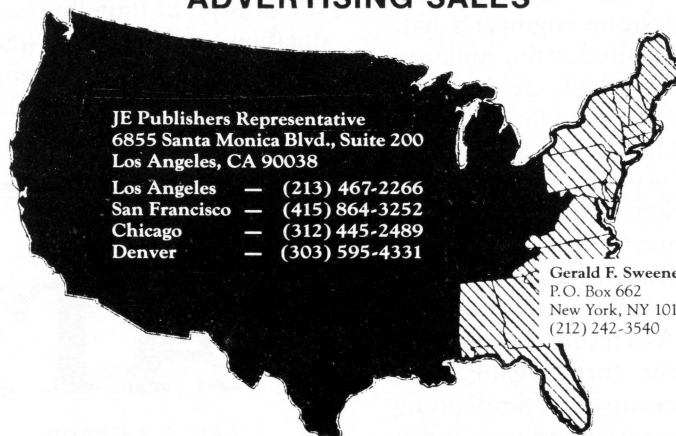
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READER COMMENT

Beware the dreaded modem.

I wear two hats. One belongs to the owner of an Atari 800; the other to an electronics engineer with a large, independent telephone company. As an Atari owner, I am intrigued by the doors that open when a modem is attached. Suddenly, my computer can talk to another computer across the country. In fact, if I assert myself after all the digital handshaking is complete, I can actually talk to the humanoid at the other end!

This is all very nice, until I put on my telephone engineer's hat. Then I'm appalled at the runaway abuse of the telephone network by some of the modem designers and users. Half-baked equipment, some of it very expensive, is flooding the market. Equally half-baked documentation accompanying it promises features that the telephone network cannot possibly guarantee. As a result, the deceived modem user turns against the telephone company, complaining that his modem sometimes works, sometimes produces errors; or it doesn't work at home, but works at his friend's house; or he can place a call to a bulletin board 1000 miles away, but not to another board 100 miles away, etc.

First of all, the telephone network is designed to supply a voice grade service. And "voice" means just that—not a private analog data circuit, which is what too many of us seem to expect. All telephone companies meet national performance standards on voice quality. These standards are monitored at the federal level and by the state Public Service Commission. Because the voice grade network performs so well, some modem designers and users make false

assumptions about what they can demand from it. They think of it as a network that exists only to transmit their two sinewave tones in the voice band, without error.

In particular, they are very hazy about such things as: A. Data signal send levels; B. Switched network losses from call to call, that depend on the path chosen by a central computer in another part of the country perhaps; C. Random noise appearing on the telephone pair; D. Hum appearing on the line (courtesy of the local or distant electric utility); E. Impulse noise level, duration and frequency (these can look like data signals); F. Ringing frequencies and voltages, which are often as much as 100 volts AC; G.

Echo amplitude and delay from satellite links; and H. The so-called "ringback" tone. (This is what you hear while you are waiting for your party to pick up his phone. Note: you do not hear his phone ringing. His phone may, in fact, be disconnected. You will still hear the ringback. So don't complain that you heard his phone ringing — you didn't.)

Armed with this lack of understanding, a modem designer can easily turn out a marginal design. The modem's performance will then vary with time and circumstance, in a manner beyond the designer's ken. Nevertheless, he sells it to the innocent consumer, whose

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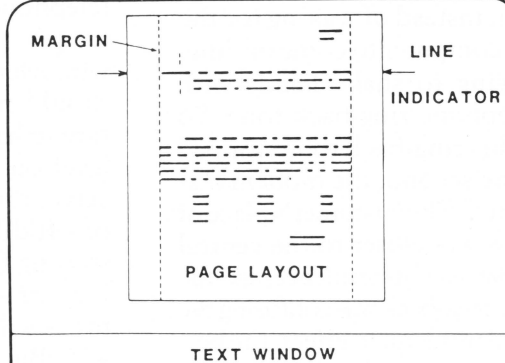
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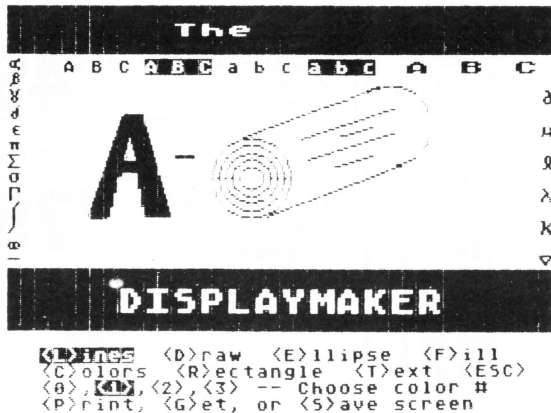
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customer was extremely embarrassed by it all, and told me he would get rid of the computer.

There is an industry standard governing the maximum tone amplitude that may be placed on a telephone line by a modem. This level is -9dBm. (i.e., 9dB below 1 milliwatt.) Sometimes, a modem user who has trouble getting through opens up his unit, finds the LEVEL control, and cranks it up to the maximum. He knows nothing about crosstalk. He may care even less about the interference he is causing to other telephone users. He is determined to get through, and the heck with everyone else. Modem users should note that it is extremely rare to have a problem with signal level on a modem circuit. A receiver can operate down to a level of -40dBm, and often lower. So, starting from a transmitted signal level of -9dBm at the far end, all tones will arrive at a minimum of -25dBm. In other words, with at least a 15dB safety margin. So why

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
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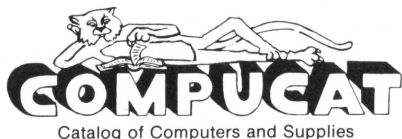
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The Winners

ANALOG's staff picks their all-time favorite games.

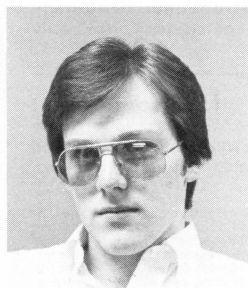
The idea for this article sprang from a reading of *Road and Track* and *Motor Trend*. Occasionally, R&T lists what cars their staff is currently driving, and annually, MT picks their "Car of the Year" awards. Let me first say that these few pages were done as more or less a fun-thing-to-do, and, in actuality, our top game list probably changes on a daily basis.

Reasons for a favorite game vary greatly, and it's frequently difficult to remember some old favorites when flashy new ones pop up. However, we've tried to overcome this, and, indeed, games from the entire Atari computer lifespan appear on the list. To give older games a fair chance, we took an "after the dust settles" outlook on the newer ones that have recently come to market.

Old favorites like **Star Raiders** and **Missile Command** have what it takes to hold a player's interest and keep you coming back for more self torture. And those in the middle, two years old or so, are still fond in (some of) our memories, such as **Pac-Man** and **Threshold**. But there's no question that some late bloomers, like **MiG Alley Ace** and **Boulder Dash**, have caught our eye(s).

The nominations.

The editorial staff of **ANALOG** was asked to select their seven favorite games of all time. And believe us, the **ANALOG** game library is so vast, it must have shifted the earth's magnetic poles. The final list of chosen games consists of thirty-three different titles from eighteen manufacturees. Except for



Jon A. Bell

1. **Star Raiders**
2. Archon
3. Miner 2049er
4. Missile Command
5. Pac-Man
6. Threshold
7. Breakout

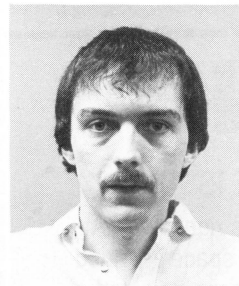
Star Raiders on a Kloss Video Beam, room lights off, the FINAL COUNTDOWN score on 7. Sink back into your Recaro desk chair and let the photons etch out your brain.



Lee H. Pappas

1. **Star Raiders**
2. Missile Command
3. Lode Runner
4. MiG Alley Ace
5. Krazy Shootout
6. Breakout
7. Boulder Dash

Star Raiders — Commander Level: Star Commander Class 1, no shields used the entire game, 54 Zylons destroyed. April 20th, 1984. That's it, that's all.



Michael DesChenes

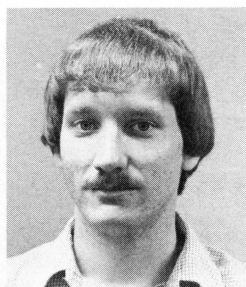
1. **MiG Alley Ace**
2. Missile Command
3. Castle Wolfenstein
4. River Raid
5. Bruce Lee
6. Silicon Warrior
7. The Return of Heracles

I don't enjoy sitting alone playing a one-person computer game. Multiple-player interactive games are the only ones that will ever make it on my list of all-time favorites.

Atari, none of the other software companies has more than two or three games on the list, and most have only one.

Each reviewer was also asked to quote on his favorite game, the video game business in general, or today's weather. Finally, we tabulated the results of chart frequency to show Atari leading the way with **Star Raiders** (six votes), followed closely by **Missile Command** and newcomer **MiG Alley Ace**.

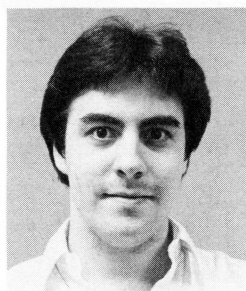
This survey proves nothing, except that taste in games differs . . . from hard-core, blast-'em-to-bits all the way to "Drink Magic Potion." And, finally, the games we've chosen are the best of the best, so your software collection will suffer no ill-effects if you dash out to buy any of these products. □



Tom (HUD) Hudson

1. **Star Raiders**
2. Archon
3. Boulder Dash
4. Miner 2049er
5. Missile Command
6. MiG Alley Ace
7. Donkey Kong

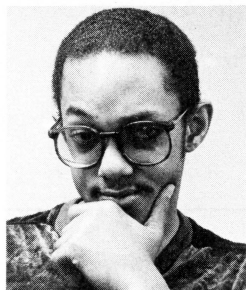
The ultimate test of a truly good game is its lifespan — most last a couple weeks or less. Others, like **Star Raiders**, are still fun five years after their introduction.



Pat Kelley

1. **Archon**
2. MiG Alley Race
3. Orc Attack
4. Operation Whirlwind
5. Choplifter
6. Star Raiders
7. Sub Commander

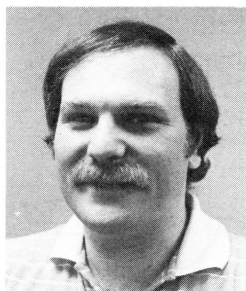
In the cutthroat world of games, EA's **Archon** is a real killer. What else can I say about a game I've devoted over 100 hours of my life to?



Kyle Peacock

1. **Star Raiders**
2. Encounter
3. Missile Command
4. Pole Position
5. Starcross
6. Choplifter
7. M.U.L.E.

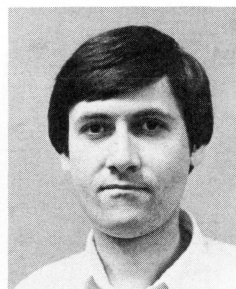
Encounter does for my visual senses what **Starcross** does for my unending quest for the stars.



Tony Messina

1. **Star Raiders**
2. Wizard of Wor
3. Encounter
4. MiG Alley Ace
5. M.U.L.E.
6. Shamus
7. Agent USA

To computer-illiterate jugheads, **Star Raiders** is just another video game. To the more perceptive, **Star Raiders** is the ultimate simulation from a \$200 graphics box. Fifteen years ago, you would have been playing it on a half-million dollar machine — not in civilian hands.

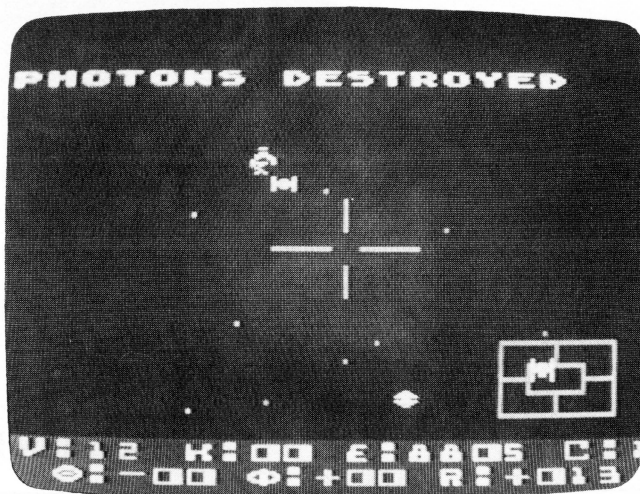


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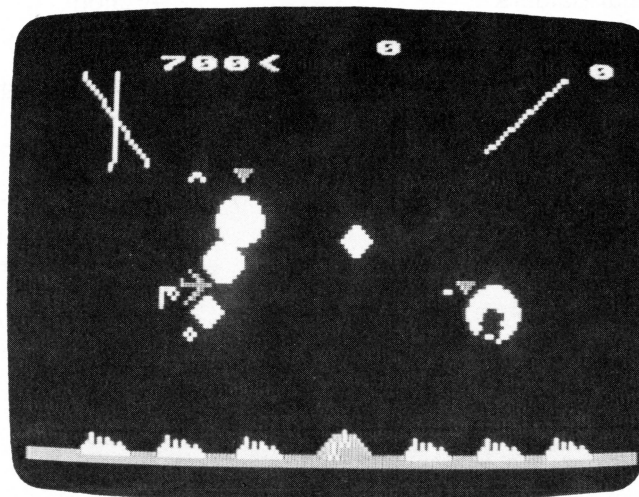
1. **Gateway to Apshai**
2. Ali-Baba
3. Gruds in Space
4. Archon
5. Miner 2049er
6. Wayout
7. Zork I

I must be into self-torture, for my favorite games tend to be the most frustrating. And for sheer masochism, my vote goes to **Gateway**.

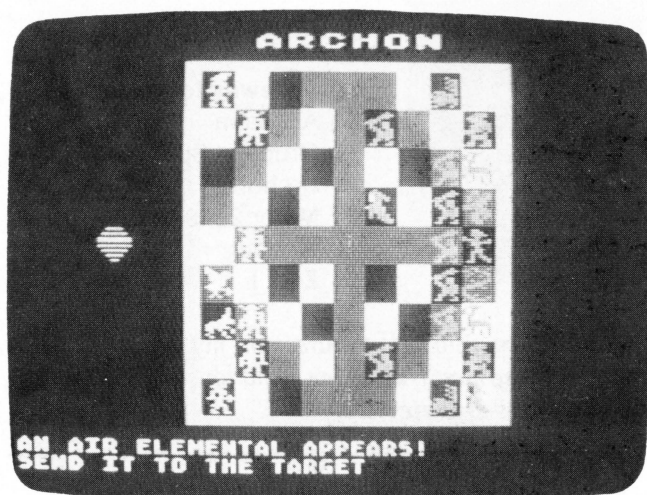
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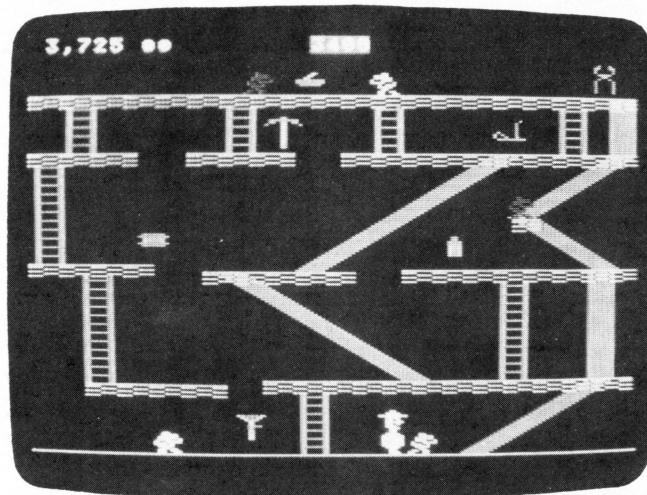
Star Raiders.



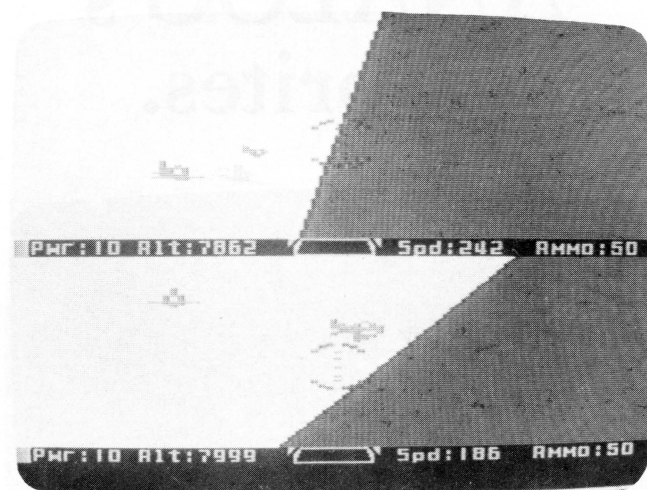
Missile Command.



Archon.



Miner 2049er.



MiG Alley Ace.

The Top Five

1. **Star Raiders — Atari**
2. **Missile Command — Atari**
MiG Alley Ace — Microprose
(Tie)
3. **Archon — Electronic Arts**
4. **Miner 2049er — Big Five**

Manufacturers Listing

Atari, Inc.

Star Raiders
Missile Command
Pole Position
Pac Man
Donkey Kong
Breakout

Big-Five Software

Miner 2049er

Broderbund

Choplifter
Loderunner
Operation Whirlwind

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Krazy Shootout
Wizard of Wor

Datasoft, Inc.

Bruce Lee

Electronic Arts

Archon
M.U.L.E.

EMI Software

Orc Attack
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EPYX

Gateway to Apshai
Silicon Warrior

First Star Software

Boulder Dash

Infocom

Starcross
Zork 1

Microprose

MiG Alley Ace

MUSE

Castle Wolfenstein

Quality Software

Ali-Baba
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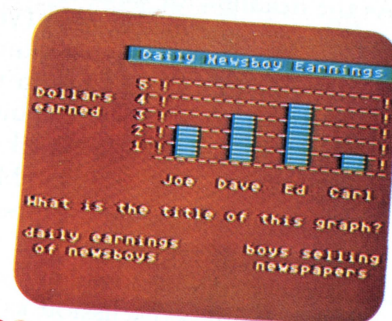
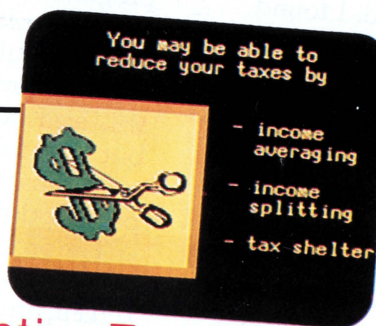
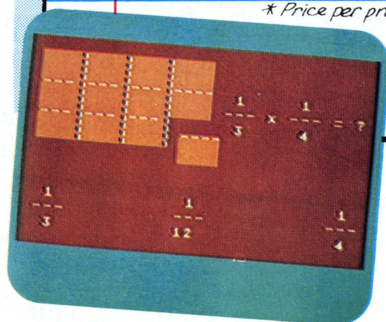
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Griffin's Lair Educational Programs Review



by Braden E. Griffin, M.D.

As the deadline for issue 19 approached, I found myself so overwhelmed at work (you know, Doctor-stuff . . . saving lives . . .) that I knew I would not be able to complete my column in time. The staff at **ANALOG** is so considerate about extending deadlines for me that I feel a bit like Bridie Murphy. Anyhow, I called the co-boss (Michael) and asked if it would be a problem if I missed an issue. After some remark to the effect that I might be responsible for a second Jonestown, my request was granted. In the midst of a discussion as to which is really more important, my column or the lives of tiny premature infants on respirators, sprinkled with incredibly ghoulish suggestions as to the dedication of my column *in absentia*, I was asked what the theme was to have been. I said that I was reviewing a number of typing programs. To which Michael dryly responded, "You mean programs that teach you how to type faster and get things done on time?" *Touche!*

One of the major reasons for buying a home computer is the ability to manage the written word. School reports, term papers, correspondence, articles for **ANALOG** and "The Great American Novel" are but a few of the many uses of this important resource. Typing is certainly an integral part of this process, and the more facile this skill, the less drudgery in the writing. Typing instruction seems to be a natural for computer education. One of the first educational

programs often purchased is a typing tutor. Why not? A most utilitarian skill, typing is a long-term asset, at least until the voice-activated word processors of the future arrive. One wonders if this new technology will lead not only to the atrophy of typing skills, but also to the demise of penmanship. Someday, everything written by hand may look like an M.D.'s prescription.

The programs reviewed this month are basically the same. Letters, words, phrases, etc., appear on the screen, and one tries to duplicate the example. The examples may take the form of an enemy attack, the destruction of which requires rapid and accurate reproduction. Whatever the method, the aim is to teach one to enter characters quickly from the keyboard without looking at the keys. Some are a little more fun, others more classically structured, but all will achieve their purpose with adequate motivation. Displaying the input at eye level, augmented by the use of graphics, is a definite advantage of computer instruction. A disadvantage may be that the computer keyboard differs from the standard typewriter, although the differences are slight. It may matter little if one is only going to use these skills with a computer.

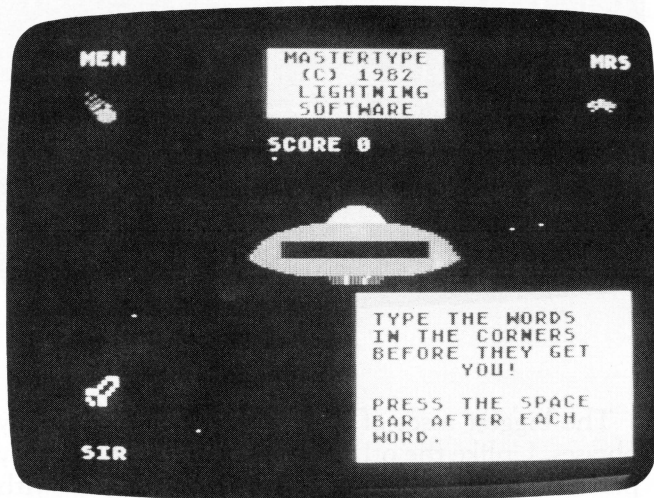
Some people type from copy, while others type as they compose. As a member of this latter group, I find the use of two fingers adequate to keep up with my sluggish mentation. For most people, however, these programs free one from thinking about fingers instead

of words and may be of great benefit. I heard that Isaac Asimov, maybe the most prolific writer ever, when asked what he would do if he only had one year to live, responded "Type faster!"

BONUS RIDDLE: What common 10-letter word can be typed out using only the top row letters (QWERTYUIOP)?

MASTERTYPE
Lightning Software
P.O. Box 11725
Palo Alto, CA 94306
32K/Disk Basic \$39.95

As commander of a space ship located in the middle of the screen, the neophyte typist must destroy the combat enemy word stations appearing in each of the four corners, before their missiles destroy the ship. When a word or letter is correctly typed, a blast of energy emanates from the ship toward the respective word, and its missiles are exploded. All this fun and learning to type at the same time sounds too good to be true.



MasterType.

There are eighteen lessons, the first of which begins with the practice of single letters from the home row. The accompanying booklet includes a diagram indicating the proper positioning of the fingers on the home keys and the other keys for which each finger is responsible. As the lessons progress, the other row letters are incorporated in the drills, and multiple letter words are presented. Numbers, punctuation marks and shifted symbols are included in the more advanced lessons. After entering a word, the space bar must be pressed to fire the laser—a realistic approach, since this is what one would do if actually typing a word as part of a text. If a mistake is made, one may press the space bar and try again; however, the delete/backspace key is functional, and using it is better practice for the real world of typing.

Several options are available, including a level for beginners in which each word is only one letter long. The CHANGE mode allows one to vary the game speed, access a new lesson, or switch to upper/lower case letters. This latter feature is quite important and not found in all programs. Custom lessons may be created with forty words per lesson, with a maximum length of nine characters each. Sentences cannot be entered as such, because the use of the space bar terminates a specific entry. After each game, one's progress is charted by calculation of the typing speed in words per minute.

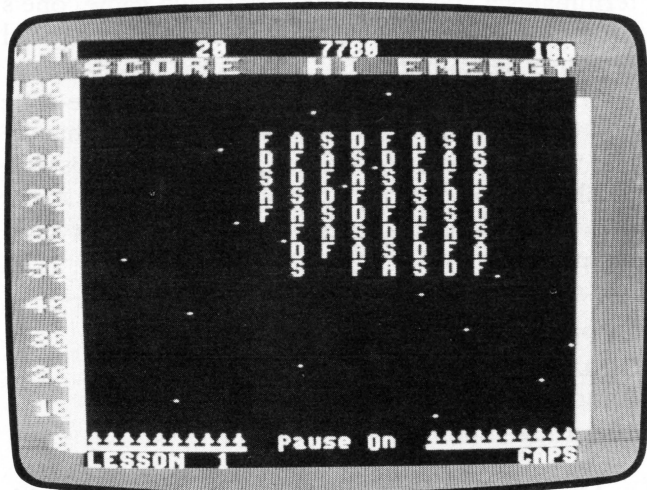
MasterType is a fast-paced, exciting, arcade-style typing trainer with clever sound and graphic enhancements. My children found this program the most fun to play. Its repetitive and progressive format make it a valuable tool for anyone wanting to develop typing skills.

TYPE ATTACK
Sirius Software, Inc.
Sacramento, CA 95827
16K Disk \$39.95

Type Attack is another arcade-style typing tutorial, this time in the **Space Invaders** genre. Each lesson is composed of two parts. First is the character attack, consisting of three separate waves of eight columns of characters. As the bottommost character is typed, it is zapped from the screen, then the next, until the entire wave has been systematically destroyed. No aiming is required, but just like the game on which it is based, the columns gradually move toward one's bases bent on devastation. The character attack is followed by the word attack, comprised of groups of complete words using the previously practiced characters. The words fly horizontally across the screen, the one with the blinking shield being vulnerable to attack. Correctly entering the letters and pressing the space bar blasts the word from the sky. If not destroyed, the word wraps around the screen, giving one another opportunity. Incorrect entries at either level, or allowing a word to wrap around, consumes energy. When the energy runs out, the game is over.

A menu is displayed initially and offers several choices. The speed may be selected from settings of 1-99. (The manual suggests that robots and genetic mutants will feel most comfortable at speeds above 80, a fact I will not dispute.) There are thirty-nine pre-programmed lessons from which to choose. These progress in the order of traditional typing instructions practicing the home row first, etc. . . . Up to sixty additional lessons may be created and saved. Fifteen words with a maximum length of eight characters (without spaces) may comprise each lesson. The booklet contains diagrams for proper finger positioning for both the 400/800 and the XL series.

Typing speed in words per minute is displayed by a bar on the left side of the screen as the attack progresses. Points scored for letters destroyed and points computed from the speed level multiplied by the WPM result in a final score. The highest scores enter a "Hall of Fame." This program includes use of upper/lower case letters and backspace for entry errors. An additional feature is that a game in progress may be saved and resumed at a later time.



Type Attack.

The sound and graphics used in **Type Attack** make the overall presentation of this program quite enjoyable. Dexterity with the keyboard will definitely be achieved while having a lot of fun. This is the most addictive of the programs I have seen; and addictiveness leads to repetition, which is what typing instruction is all about. This program is my personal favorite, but just by a whisker. It is certainly well worth the investment.

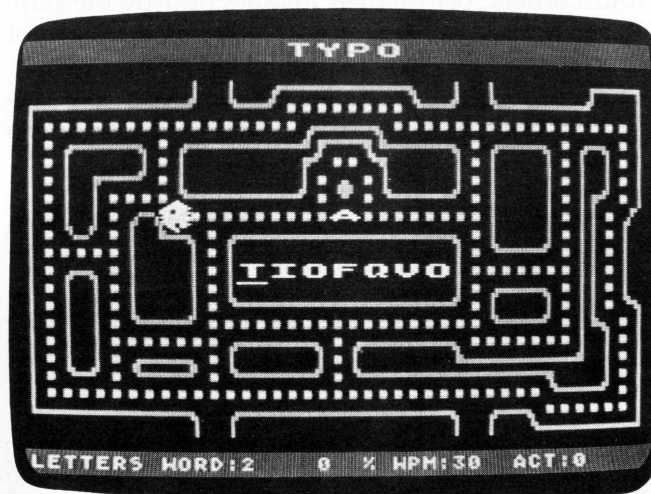
TYPO

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So far, we have had a typing tutorial which blasts word enemies approaching from all sides — similar to many early arcade games — and one which annihilates menacing columns of characters a la **Space Invaders**. What's left? **Pac-Man**! In the middle of a dot-filled maze is a window where letters, words or phrases appear. As one types the contents of the window, a little ship wends its way through the maze-consuming dots. Of course, there is the ever present fuzzy monster chasing the ship through the maze. The monster moves at the rate of the preselected WPM (words per minute), requiring one to type faster than the WPM to avoid destruction. The object is to eat all of the dots while learning how to type.

While Beethoven's *Fur Elise* provides the back-

ground music, a number of options are displayed in the menu. The desired speed in WPM (1-120) is selected. One then has the option of practicing random letters, words or phrases. There is also the option to create one's own lesson. At the bottom of the playing screen can be seen the preset pace, as well as the actual typing speed in WPM. With the display window in the middle of the screen, it is often difficult — if not impossible — to follow the progress of the dot-ravaging ship and its pursuer, while trying to type the correct sequence of letters. There is no backspacing capability, since only the correct letter is accepted. An erroneous entry only delays the progress of the ship. Although shifted punctuation marks and symbols are permitted, there is no provision for upper/lower case characters, only capitals.



Typo.

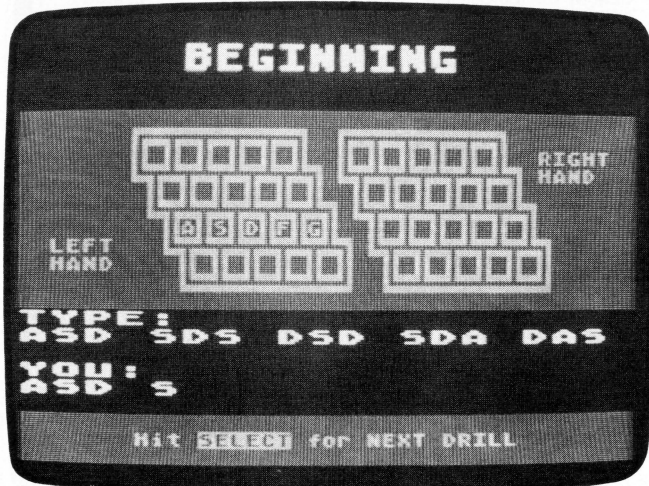
The biggest asset of **Typo** is its ability to display phrases. Unlike the other two typing games, one may practice letter sequences, words or phrases with spaces, punctuations, etc. — with lengths of up to 114 characters. With this program, one can create exercises like *the quick brown fox* and *Now is the time for all good men*. The simplicity of a cartridge, plus pleasing sound and graphics, add to the learning process. **Typo** differs a little from the others, but it, too, is fun — and one's fingers will soon learn where to go.

TOUCH TYPING

ATARI
P.O. Box 427
Sunnyvale, CA 94086
16K/Tape Basic \$24.95

Touch Typing provides a more traditional approach to acquiring typing skills. Progressing from Beginner to Advanced levels, repetitive drills are displayed on the screen for one to duplicate. Exercises with one hand, then the other, then both — all the

way to typing paragraphs — are found in this program. The manual is excellent, and the method of instruction is well founded. In the Beginner level, a keyboard is displayed on the screen, highlighting the letters being practiced. There is no upper/lower case provision at this level, although it is found at both the Intermediate and Advanced levels. Word and letter error counts, as well as typing speed (WPM), are kept and displayed at the bottom of the screen. Since this program incorporates the tracking of errors, there is no backspacing capability.



Touch Typing.

I have mixed feelings about the overall appeal of this program. It is less expensive, being on tape, but it seems to take forever to load. It is fundamentally sound and based on classic typing training methods, but it is somewhat boring compared to the other typing programs. Probably the most comprehensive of any of the programs, it may gather dust if the student is not highly motivated.

There you have it. Four different programs to teach typing skills. All are well conceived and serve their purpose. For those on a tight budget, a program to give one practice typing sentences appeared in **ANALOG** issue 6 and has been reproduced in **The ANALOG Compendium. Typing Trainer**, by Regena, is written in BASIC for 16K Tape/24K Disk and employs special effects in the form of a steam engine and whistle. The program can easily be changed to include a wide variety of sentences of one's own choosing.

Typing skills are important. Present day educators might say, "Maximal utilization of digital dexterity in interfacing with the computer will impact positively in the endeavor to forestall nonsuccess." Oh yes, the answer to the riddle which seeks the common 10-letter word using only the letters in the top row of the typewriter: "proprietor" and "repertoire" meet the requirements, but most apropos is, of course, *typewriter*. □

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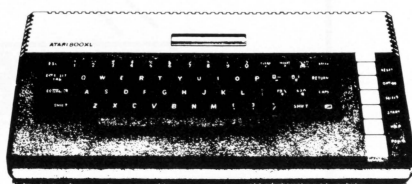
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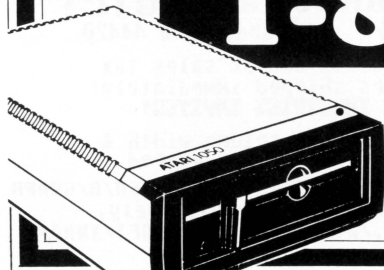
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by Tom Hudson

To be honest, the members of the **ANALOG** staff have never been very impressed with most of the software from First Star. Some of their programs, such as **Bristles**, had messy glitches; others just didn't cut the mustard in the fun department.

Needless to say, I was very pleasantly surprised when I saw **Boulder Dash**. In my opinion, this game tops all of First Star's previous efforts in terms of originality, long-lasting challenge, and just plain fun.

Original is best.

In **Boulder Dash**, you play the part of Rockford, a small quasi-human with the power to dig through the earth. Rockford's objective is to collect as many glittering diamonds as he can.

Rockford's job isn't that easy, though. He must dodge the boulders and diamonds which fall when he digs under them. One wrong step, and Rockford is only a fond memory!

Some levels contain Fireflies, flashing objects which kill Rockford on contact. Their behavior is predictable, so Rockford can avoid them, if he keeps his eyes open. Rockford can also kill the Fireflies by dropping boulders on them.

Butterflies are another danger for Rockford to look out for. They are similar to Fireflies, but move in the opposite direction. Unlike Fireflies, Butterflies turn into diamonds when they are killed.

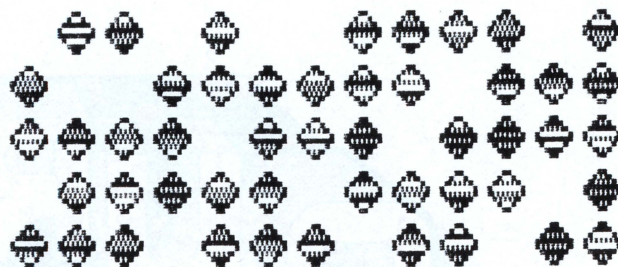
Other features, such as a growing green amoeba and enchanted walls (which turn boulders into diamonds and vice-versa) add to the challenge of this original game.

Long-lasting.

Each level of **Boulder Dash** takes place in a different "cave," made up of several scrolling screens. These caves range in difficulty from "extremely easy" to "almost impossible." There are sixteen caves in **Boulder Dash**, each with five difficulty levels and different puzzles to solve. Rockford's time in each cave is limited, so the screens must be completed as quickly as possible.

Unlike other games, **Boulder Dash** doesn't simply speed up the action on each level, but rearranges the obstacles and increases Rockford's quota of diamonds.

Every four caves, you are given the chance to solve a "playable intermission" screen. If you successfully complete the screen, you are awarded a bonus Rockford. Some of these intermission screens seem more difficult than the caves (even though I've made it



through all sixteen caves, there is one intermission screen I can't get through — yet!)

**Boulder Dash.**

One nice thing about **Boulder Dash** is that all the caves are stored in memory while the game is being played. The computer doesn't have to access the disk each time a new level appears, so your disk is spared the extra wear.

Just plain fun.

Ever since **Boulder Dash** arrived, publisher Lee Pappas and I have been racing to solve each level. **Boulder Dash** is very addictive, because each new level presents new challenges.

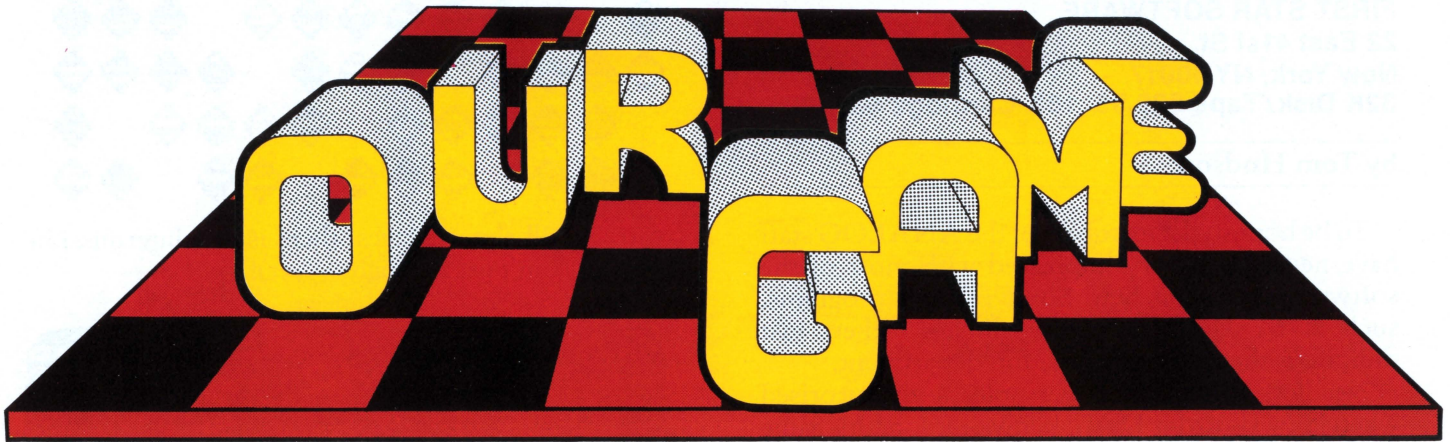
The level of detail in **Boulder Dash** is good, too. Whenever Rockford is standing still, his eyes will blink, he'll put his hands on his hips and tap his foot impatiently.

The bottom line.

Being a programmer myself, I couldn't help but have a small gripe about **Boulder Dash**.

While the figures of Rockford, the Fireflies and Butterflies are animated smoothly, they "jump" from one position on the screen to the next. When I first saw the game, this bothered me somewhat, but after playing the game for some time I have found that it does not affect the playability at all. **Boulder Dash** is, quite simply, an exceptional game, and one of the best yet for the Atari computer systems.

Incidentally, as further proof of this game's appeal, **Boulder Dash** has recently been adapted for arcade use by Exidy! □



by Joel Gluck

Welcome, once again, to **Our Game**, the only monthly column that brings you extra-large doses of both insight and insanity. Many readers have asked the question: "Joel, why do you seem so out of touch?" Well, I'll tell you: I write this column two months before it is published. For example, even though you are reading the July issue of **ANALOG** (which appears in June), I'm writing this column in April. Such a time delay can make things extremely difficult . . .

For example, there's the *Our Game Special Election-Year Game Idea Vote*, which I initiated last month (the June issue, which appeared in May). This is an election to determine which game idea you, the reader, most want to see developed in **Our Game** (see last issue for voting instructions and descriptions of the four nominees). All votes must be mailed by August 1st, 1984. The problem is, since I have to wait until August for all the votes to be in, development of "our game" has to wait until an issue two months after that, due to the delay factor. So, "our game" can't be started until the October issue.

What this means is that I have four months of **Our Game** (July, August, September, and October) to do what I want! After careful consideration, I decided that the best thing to do would be to present a detailed treatise on the subtle relationship between ice cream consumption in Boston and the likelihood of global thermonuclear war. When I mentioned this idea to my closest friends, they laughed at me and began to abuse my priceless collection of eighteenth century floppy disks. I was ashamed and agreed that the only honorable thing to write about in the coming issues would be the development of a game . . .

Viewer what?

But before we proceed on to such trivialities as writing a game, let's take care of something really important: viewer mail! The amount of mail we're receiving these days is growing by leaps and, uh, bigger leaps, but that doesn't mean the quality is improving any . . . If you're going to write to **Our Game**, please stick to English (or, if you must, Mandarin Chinese or Swahili), and please use standard writing instruments — I'd like to remind a few of our readers that salad dressing just doesn't make very good ink. Please keep this in mind.

Our first letter this month comes from Matthew J.W. Ratcliff of St. Louis, Missouri. He has some useful additions to last month's tutorial on playtesting:

The less the playtester knows about your program, or programming in general, the better. This will immediately tell you several things, like how well you trap errors. A person who seldom computes will quickly find any major and, quite often, subtle bugs. If it's a utility program which requests a filename, for instance, what if the person types KEEP for a load file, instead of D:KEEP? Does the computer sit there, dumb as a rock, with no error codes? Does a CTRL-3 get out of the problem (keyboard-forced end of file)? What about other expected keyboard inputs; does CTRL-3 crash the program? Does the code disallow inverse video, shift clear, and the break key? I could go on and on about the trials and tribulations faced with expected keyboard inputs. Let a novice "fat-finger" the keyboard for a while, and you will find them quickly enough.

Thanks for the good tips, Matthew. Handling keyboard input is sometimes so frustrating that programmers often avoid it entirely, checking only for values from the joystick or the console keys

(START, SELECT and OPTION). Actually, for most games or educational programs, keyboard input can be an unnecessary complication — working off only the joystick, for example, can make a program more user-friendly.

Cecil C. Alton, of Dumfries, Virginia, writes:

I would like a game I could play with my two-year-old. He is fascinated with the computer and especially likes BASIC — where he keys in letters, both singly and with repeat feature. Other games I have interest him, and he grips the joystick with eager anticipation, but he does not interact with the game. One wild idea is to build a game with a simple "press any key" response being elicited from the player. This game would have to be easy to learn — i.e., no difficult instructions required — and could be developed around a learning-curve concept (learn from mistakes or from player's responses).

That's an excellent idea for a game, Cecil, and I believe someone's already done it! Monarch Data Systems, Inc., has just such a game — it is called **SofToy**. The game consists of nine cute little animated pictures on the screen, which are activated by pressing a key. In the easiest version, any key pressed will activate a picture. But the game can also be made harder, so that only certain numbers or letters will make the pictures move. At its toughest, **SofToy** presents a child with sequences which he or she must duplicate by hitting the correct keys, very similar to the electronic game called **Simon**. This program may be just what you're looking for, Cecil.

Tom Hull, of Wakefield, Rhode Island, has some strong feelings about **Our Game**, not to mention a very unusual game idea:

In my opinion, I think you're setting up too many rules. My dreams of sending you "dream game" ideas were shattered when I couldn't fit in simultaneous, multi-players and no violence, period! Some of the requirements seem ridiculous to me because of how easily they could be solved. So here are my words of wisdom on each of your requirements.

1. Violence: I agree; the wrong type of violence could be harmful to the young minds of children. The "kill or be killed" theme should be avoided, but what about the "survive or be killed" theme? I don't see how saving your own skin would be harmful to kids' minds. Say the only objective is to run away from falling buildings or escape from a forest fire. How harmful can that be?

2. Simultaneous play: Once again, I agree. It is fun when you either play against or in cooperation with a friend, but what if none of your friends like the game? This is why one should have the option for either single or simultaneous play.

3. Sex Difference: This is the ridiculous one, because just a bit of good programming can solve the whole problem. Consider the following:

```
10 ? "Do you want to be a boy or a gir
1";:INPUT A$
20 IF A$="BOY" THEN PLAYER$="!#$":REM
!#$ would be the character for a male
player when redefined.
30 IF A$="GIRL" THEN PLAYER$="e%&":REM
e%& would be the character for a fema
le player when redefined.
```

This could be modified to use P/M graphics or whatever you'd want to use. Another method would be to use an animal to portray the player, say a turtle. That way, no one could accuse the turtle of being male or female, as long as you don't call the game **Mr. Turtle**, or **Turtle Man**.

Now that that's off my chest, let's get to the game idea, which I call **The Punkarium Wave**. The setting is in a one-story mall. The player is an everyday person who just came out of the arcade and is about to go to the north end of the mall, where the person (you) has parked the car. Then you realize that, while you were in the arcade, the whole mall was taken over by punks, a class of people who all have mohawk haircuts, wear sunglasses and carry around "boxes" that are all blaring out the same punky tune (that sounds like someone trying to play a synthesizer like a bagpipe)!

Their "lifestyles" are contagious, so you must avoid any contact with them — or you will become one of them! You run along a scrolling mall, trying to reach the north end, where the only remaining unlocked exit awaits. This would be impossible, if it wasn't for your only defense. Somewhere in the mall is Marvin's House of Metal. If you can find it and get inside, you can turn on the mall's speakers and blare some heavy metal to drown out the punks' boxes. All of the punks will stop dead in their tracks and cover their ears, letting you skip on by them. In ten seconds, the punks will have turned off the speakers. If you are not out of the mall by then, the punks will rush to block the north exit and all hope will be lost.

Well, Tom, I think your **Punkarium Wave** wins **Our Game's** "Weird Idea of the Month" award (your prize, a peanut butter and avocado sandwich, is in the mail). As for your complaint about **Our Game**, having "too many rules," let me say that there are no "rules" as to what you can send to **Our Game**. I like to see all kinds of game ideas, whether they be violent or non-violent, one or two-player, or whatever. The reason I've expressed a preference for non-violent games is simply that there have been so many violent video games that I am rather bored with the concept. It takes creativity and imagination to come up with something really new, and it is my challenge to the readers to submit non-violent games. It doesn't mean they have to.

As for your quick solution to the question of games that are biased toward one sex, I'm not so sure that changing the graphics is all that is needed. I believe that the general subject matter of most video/computer games tends to attract males more than females. Again, it's a challenge to the readers to come up with something different.

The task is not impossible. Last month, to kick off *Our Game Special Election-Year Game Idea Vote*, I nominated four game ideas, all of which were based on reader input, and all of which were essentially non-violent, two- or multi-player, and none of which seemed sexually biased (except maybe for Idea #1, which has a husband and his "huge wife," but that can be modified).

Our last letter this month comes from Greg Rizzo of Chicago, Illinois:

The truck that delivers peanuts to the zoo is late. You, the elephant, become very hungry. When the truck finally arrives, it is in such a hurry that it crashes and spills peanuts all over the zoo. You become so hungry that you break out of your cage and travel all around the zoo, shown on the TV screen as a maze, looking for and eating peanuts. But be careful, because there are mice wandering around the zoo. If they touch you, they will scare you to death. Also, there is a zoo-keeper who will appear on the screen looking for you. But, for your protection, there are mousetraps set at random spots in the zoo. You get points for eating peanuts and for catching mice in mousetraps. But you will lose a life for getting scared to death by a mouse.

I must admit it wasn't really my idea. It was really my brother's and his friend's. I just expanded on the idea.

Greg! How could you? Stealing your brother's game idea like that! Tsk, tsk. It's a nice game idea (I like the story behind the game, especially), but the game play itself sounds suspiciously like **Pac-Man**. What if, instead of being the elephant, you were the zookeeper? The elephant is loose in the zoo, eating spilled peanuts. Your aim is to get the elephant back into his cage as fast as possible. You do this by closing and opening gates in the zoo/maze, and by moving many of the peanuts so that they make a trail leading back to the elephant cage. To make the game more interesting, the maze could be different every time.

Well, that's it for viewer mail this month. Even though the *Our Game Special Election-Year Game Idea Vote* is in progress, don't hesitate to send in any new idea you have. If it's any good, it'll probably appear in these pages — which means that people all over the U.S.A., not to mention the entire world, will see *your* name and read *your* idea!

Clues.

This month, and the next three months of **Our Game**, will be devoted to a discussion of the creation and development of a simple computer game.

The working name for this game is **Clues**, and the first prototype version, CLUES.A, appears in Listing 1.

The idea behind **Clues** is very simple, and not entirely new. When playing, you are presented with a grid underneath which there is a buried treasure. To find the treasure, you move your man (whom I call the Seeker) to a likely spot and hit the trigger. If you

were correct, you win. If not, the computer gives you a clue as to where the treasure is.

The clue is either an arrow or a number. An arrow points in the general direction of the treasure. A number gives the approximate distance of the treasure from your current spot.

This is not a new idea. I believe that there was a game of this type for the Atari 2600 (way back when it was called the Video Computer System). In that game, you were looking for a flag, not a treasure. Big difference . . . !

Of course, the CLUES.A is a simple one-player game. More later about how we can improve and expand it.

Explanations.

Unlike the dreaded FLW listing from issue 16, Listing 1 is fairly clear. There is no mysterious string manipulation or brain-damaged program logic, and everything is simple and well documented with plenty of REMarks. Note: When typing the listing in, do not omit REM's that appear alone on a line. These are frequently accessed by GOTO's and GOSUB's.

And now, an **Our Game** first . . . a detailed explanation of the program:

Lines 200-260 are the top level of the program. The way it is organized, into five GOSUB's (with REMarks), makes the program very easy to read and follow, and makes finding specific parts of the program simple (for example, if you want to change something in the screen setup, Line 220 informs you that the screen initialization code begins at Line 3000). I usually begin all large BASIC programs with a series of GOSUBs like this.

Notice that Line 250 assumes that a variable called PLAYAGAIN was given a value at some point, probably in the subroutine starting at Line 5000. If PLAYAGAIN=1 (1 meaning "yes" or "true"), then the game branches back to the screen initialization routine.

Getting Ready.

The routine starting at Line 1000 prints the instructions and waits for the user to press the START key (Line 1200 handles that). The subroutine is called "Intro/Options," because if there were any game options they would appear at this point.

Starting at Line 2000 is the initialization procedure. Lines 2100-2250 handle the joystick data. The problem with the Atari joystick is this: what you'd like to have is the horizontal and vertical direction of the joystick (indicated by -1, 0, or 1 for each. For example, a vertical direction of -1 means "up," and a horizontal direction of 1 means "right." Zero means there is no movement along that component), but what the joystick gives you is a value from 5 to 15 that stands for one of the eight directions. To convert from this value to the horizontal (X) and vertical (Y), I READ -1's, 0's, and 1's into 2 arrays (XS() and YS()) indexed off the joystick value. For

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WHAT IS D:CHECK/C:CHECK?

Most program listings in **ANALOG** are followed by a table of numbers appearing as DATA statements, called "CHECKSUM DATA." These numbers are to be used in conjunction with D:CHECK and C:CHECK, which appeared in the **ANALOG Compendium** and Issue No. 16.

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example, if the joystick reads "6" (up and to the right), the value given by YS(6) is -1 (up) and the value given by XS(6) is 1 (right).

The different characters used for "arrows" in the game are in DATA on Line 2360 (in future versions of the game, we'll redefine the character set to have better-looking arrows). The ASCII codes of these are read into the array ARROW() in the loop starting on Line 2320. Notice that I have to READ each arrow using the small string called CH\$, before storing the ASCII value of CH\$ (plus 128 to make it reverse field — the "negative" image of the character) into the ARROW() array.

The ASCII codes for other characters that will appear on the screen are stored in aptly named variables starting on Line 2400. The GRID character, for example, is a period (.) and the SEEKER character is the solid ball graphic (CTRL-T). These characters, too, will be modified in future versions.

Screen initialization begins on Line 3000. The game itself is in graphics zero, the normal text mode, so, to make it look a little different, the screen and border colors are changed on Line 3110. Line 3120 uses a nifty POKE 752,1 which hides the cursor.

Starting on Line 3200, we see something interesting: COLOR WALL. Now we know that the variable WALL was defined as the ASCII code of a reverse field space (a solid white block) on Line 2410. We also know that COLOR is ordinarily used in plotting modes like 3, 5, and 7 to select a color register to draw with. Well, it so happens that invoking COLOR with the ASCII code in a character mode lets you draw with that character using PLOT's and DRAWTO's. This is exactly what happens on Line 3210, which draws a wall using the WALL character around the screen.

Lines 3250-3280 use a similar technique to draw the grid. COLOR GRID selects the appropriate character, and the loop does the rest. Lines 3300-3310 set up the starting coordinates of the Seeker (the approximate middle of the screen) and plot it. There is also a variable called UNDER, to store the value of what is under the Seeker (initially, plain old grid character), in case the player moves the Seeker over some of the clues he has dug up.

Lines 3400-3420 set up the treasure, and make sure its position is not equal to the Seeker's starting position.

The game.

The operating code for the game itself begins on Line 4000. Right before it begins, the timer is set to zero on Line 4100 (the Atari has a real-time clock measured in sixtieths of seconds — jiffies — at memory locations 18, 19, and 20), and the number of GUESSES is set to zero at Line 4110. This is so we can tell the player how long and how many guesses he or she took to find the treasure when the game is over.

Lines 4200-4240 are the nucleus of the game. All actions stem from these lines. The stick and trigger values are stored. If the trigger is being pressed and the stick is still (Line 4220), it means the player wants to venture a guess, so the program branches to the "take a guess" subroutine. If the joystick isn't idle (Line 4230), then the Seeker must be moved, so the program branches to 4300. If neither of these conditions are met, then the program does nothing and loops back to get new values for the joystick and trigger.

The routine for moving the Seeker (starting on Line 4300) contains a POKE 77,0. This is to prevent the computer from going into "attract mode" (color flipping), which occurs if the keyboard isn't used for about nine minutes. This poke is in the movement routine, so that if the player has stopped playing the game, the poke won't be executed, and after nine minutes the computer will go into attract mode.

Line 4310 uses the joystick direction arrays we created (you remember, way back in the initialization routine!) to convert the joystick value (S) to horizontal direction (XD) and vertical direction (YD). Line 4320 looks one spot ahead of the Seeker in the current direction, and stores the ASCII value of what's there into the variable G (that's how the LOCATE command works — consult your BASIC Reference Manual for details). If G is equal to the value of WALL (Line 4330), that means there is wall ahead of the Seeker. The Seeker isn't supposed to move through walls, so the program goes back to the game loop.

To move the Seeker, we erase it, update its position, and redraw it. This happens quite clearly on Lines 4350 to 4370. The only trick is, instead of erasing the Seeker with a blank space, we are erasing it with what's underneath it (Line 4350), whether it be a grid or an old clue. Then, on Line 4380, the variable UNDER is given the value of G, which is what's under the Seeker now.

The "take a guess" routine, starting on Line 4500, is a bit more complex. First, it increments the number of guesses (Line 4502) and then proceeds along the following logic:

Line 4505 — If the guess is correct (a win), pop out and return to the top level.

Line 4520 — If what's under the Seeker is an old clue, jump ahead (to 4700) and display that clue.

Line 4530 — Compute the distance from the treasure.

Line 4540 — If the Seeker is too far away to give a one-digit distance clue (or if a random whim is heeded), jump ahead (to 4600) to get an arrow clue.

(Our Game continues on page 88)

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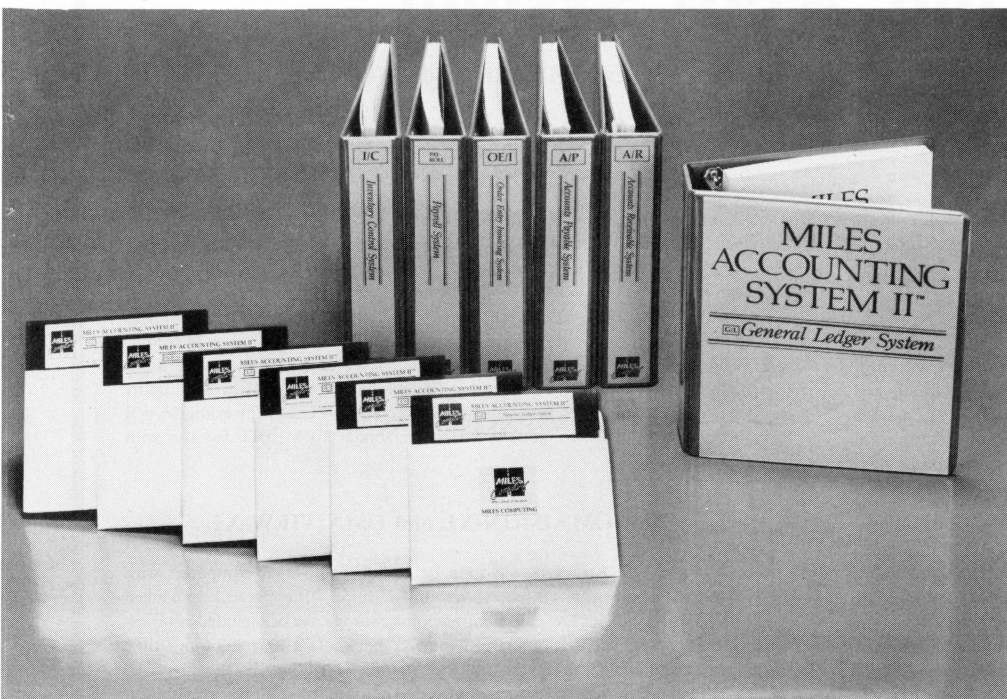
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ANALOG July '83 review by Brian Moriarty:

"OMNIMON! can be a great addition to your ATARI computer if you know what to do with it. The ability to "freeze" a running program on-the-fly and examine the hardware registers is invaluable for testing and debugging; the sector-level disk functions are alone worth the price of the board . . . OMNIMON! might be one of the smartest investments you can make."

September '83: "Those of you who read my review of OMNIMON! in issue #12 know what a godsend it is for serious programmers. This ROM-resident monitor has saved me many hours of program development and debugging time, and recently made it possible for me to recover several otherwise unsalvageable text files that were lost when my word processor accidentally destroyed a disk directory. Ironically, the review you are reading is one of those salvaged files! Three of the ATARIs in our offices are now equipped with OMNIMON! boards, and more are on the way. Staff programmers Tom Hudson and Charlie Bachand both swear by OMNIMON!"

What is OMNIMON!?

OMNIMON! is a PC board which plugs into your 400/800 (soon to be available for the XLs also) and gives you complete control of your computer. Even though it is always available (by pressing SELECT and SYSTEM RESET) it takes up no user memory because it resides in the unused 4K block at \$C000. Use it to interrupt, examine, and manipulate any program in memory whether it be disk, cassette, or cartridge based. It is especially good for program development or customization of existing programs. The flexible disk I/O allows you to write to or read from disk in either single or double density. You can edit raw sector data or even load a file without DOS. Many debugging tools are at your disposal: Display / Alter memory or 6502 registers, Disassemble memory, Search memory, Hex / Char modes, Single Step execution, JSR or GOTO address, Push / Pull stack, Printer dump, etc. After interrupting a program with OMNIMON!, many times it is possible to return to the program as if you had never left it (e.g., BASIC, DOS, etc.). Instructions are provided for the addition of a simple toggle switch to make OMNIMON! invisible, thus making it compatible with all software. An external cable is now provided to eliminate the need to solder directly on the board.

New 8K OMNIMON! Upgrade

This enhancement, which is available to all OMNIMON! users, includes a substantial number of features not available in the standard version. The 8K OMNI resides in an 8K ROM which has been modified by the addition of a switch for selecting either of two 4K banks. The additional features include Hex Conversion and Hex Arithmetic, Block Move, a Relocater, and a Line Assembler. A Binary Load command allows you to load any binary load file without DOS and doubles as a disk directory command which prints out the start sector of each file. Lockup recovery allows you to recover from system lockup, meaning that when your computer freezes, you can usually salvage the program or text file in memory by popping into 8K OMNI and dumping memory to disk. Advanced users will like the user extensibility feature which allows them to make use of the interface routines of 8K OMNI in their own software. One of the most exciting features of the 8K OMNI is the resident Ramdisk handlers. They allow AXLON Ramdisk owners to use this powerful device with any DOS which uses standard SIO calls and even with boot programs like word processors and games which access the disk a lot. Several additional features make this version very valuable for advanced programmers, but if you have a Ramdisk, 8K OMNI is a MUST!

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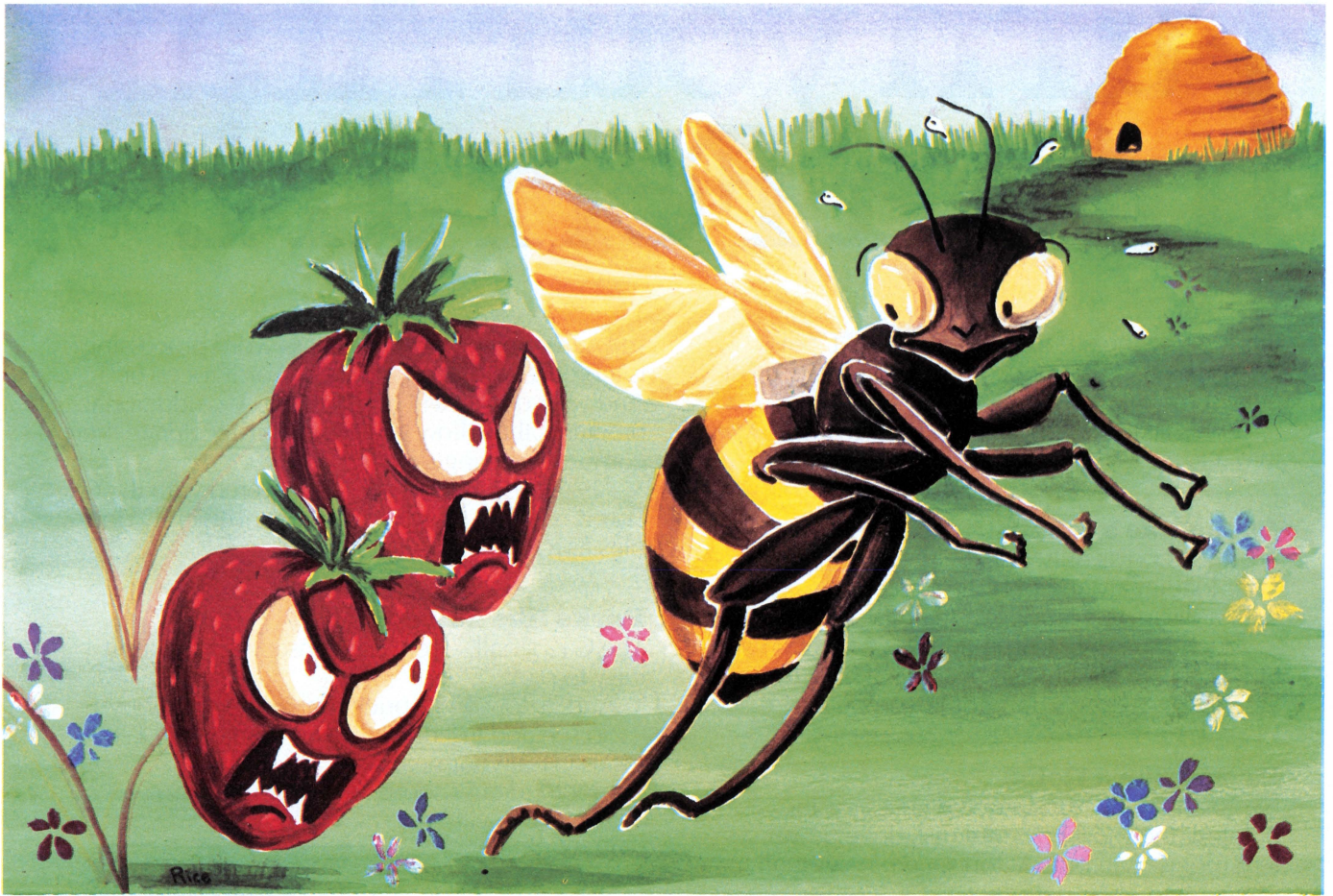
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Buzz-zap! is written in Atari BASIC with two machine language subroutines, called with the `USR` command. The first of these is Tom Hudson's P/M mover subroutine (issue 10, page 73), the second is

just to flash the title screen. In the program's main loop first the stick is read, then Stanley is moved accordingly. Then the strawberries are moved so that they go towards Stanley. Then the hive is moved away from Stanley. Lastly, the collision registers are checked to see if Stanley has touched the walls, the strips, the berries or the hive. One point of interest is that each time Stanley gets to work (each board), the variable B is incremented and `POKEd` into location 201 decimal for storage until the title screen prints it. This way the score or number of boards is recorded.

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Line documentation.

Lines 10-140 — Initialize; colors, shapes, M/L routines.

Lines 150-450 — Main loop; read stick, move bug, move hive, move berries, check collisions.

Lines 460-480 — Death routine, re-initialize.

Lines 490-510 — Next board routine, end.

Lines 520-770 — Title screen.

Lines 780-840 — Draw board routine.

Lines 850-870 — Tom Hudson's P/M mover initialize.

Lines 880-890 — Data for title screen M/L.

Lines 950-980 — Data for P/M mover M/L.

Lines 990-980 — Player shape data.

Lines 990-2060 — Board data.

Variables.

C,I,N,Q,Z — Working, data, or loop variables.

A — USR variable.

B — Board flag.

MOVE,PMMOV\$ — M/L variables for P/M mover.

PMBASE,PMB — P/M base variables.

P\$,PL\$,PS\$ — Player shape data strings.

P,PL,PS — ADDRESS of above.

X,Y — Stanley's position.

EX,EY,GX,GY — Berries' position.

FX,FY — Hive's position.

AA — Stick variable.

XI,YI — Modifiers to X and Y.

X1,Y1,X2,Y2 — Coordinates of strips.

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10 POKE 201,0
20 FOR C=0 TO 3: SOUND C,0,0,0:NEXT C
30 GOSUB 610
40 FOR C=0 TO 3: SOUND C,0,0,0:NEXT C
50 GOSUB 850
60 DIM P$(5),PL$(6),P5$(6):P=ADR(P$):P
L=ADR(PL$):P5=ADR(P5$)
70 FOR I=1 TO 5: READ N:P$(I)=CHR$(N):M
EXT I
80 FOR I=1 TO 6: READ N:P5$(I)=CHR$(N):
NEXT I
90 FOR I=1 TO 6: READ N:PL$(I)=CHR$(N):
NEXT I
100 GRAPHICS 3:POKE 559,46:COLOR 2:PLO
T 0,0:DRAWTO 39,0:DRAWTO 39,19:DRAWTO
0,19:DRAWTO 0,0:POKE 752,1
110 POKE 16,64:POKE 53774,64
120 POKE 704,15:POKE 705,66:POKE 706,2
55:POKE 707,68:POKE 53278,244:POKE 623
,1
130 GOSUB 780
140 X=55:Y=86:EX=53:EY=19:FX=181:FY=33
:GX=197:GY=88:POKE 53278,244:SOUND 0,2
55,14,4:SOUND 1,233,14,2
150 FOR Q=1 TO 3
160 AA=STICK(0)
170 XI=(AA=7)-(AA=11):YI=(AA=13)-(AA=1
4)
180 XI=XI+(AA=6)+(AA=5)-(AA=10)-(AA=9)
:YI=YI+(AA=9)+(AA=5)-(AA=10)-(AA=6)
190 X=X+XI:Y=Y+YI:POKE 53278,244
200 A=USR(MOVE,0,PMB,PL,X,Y,6)
210 NEXT Q
220 POKE 53278,244
230 IF PEEK(53252)=2 THEN 460

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240 EX=EX-(EX)XI+(EX)XI
250 EY=EY-(EY)YI+(EY)YI
260 A=USR(MOVE,1,PMB,P,EX,EY,5)
270 POKE 53278,244
280 FX=FX+(FX)XI-(FX)XI
290 FY=FY+(FY)YI-(FY)YI
300 A=USR(MOVE,2,PMB,P5,FX,FY,6)
310 POKE 53278,244
320 IF FX=55 THEN FX=55
330 IF FX>193 THEN FX=193
340 IF FY=25 THEN FY=25
350 IF FY>82 THEN FY=82
360 GX=GX-(GX)XI+(GX)XI
370 GY=GY-(GY)YI+(GY)YI
380 A=USR(MOVE,3,PMB,P,GX,GY,5)
390 POKE 53278,244
400 IF PEEK(53252)=2 THEN 460
410 IF PEEK(53260)=4 THEN 490
420 IF PEEK(53260)=2 THEN 460
430 IF PEEK(53260)=8 THEN 460
440 POKE 53278,244
450 GOTO 150
460 REM *****
470 POKE 53277,0:GOSUB 570
480 POKE 201,B:CLR:GOTO 20
490 REM *****
500 POKE 53278,244:GOSUB 520:GOTO 100
510 END
520 FOR I=250 TO 6 STEP -2
530 SOUND 0,I,10,10
540 FOR Z=1 TO 3:NEXT Z
550 NEXT I
560 RETURN
570 FOR I=255 TO 200 STEP -1
580 SOUND 0,I,10,10:SOUND 1,I-20,10,10
590 NEXT I
600 RETURN
610 FOR I=1664 TO 1692:READ N:POKE I,N
:NEXT I
620 GRAPHICS 18:SOUND 0,128,10,10
630 POKE 53277,0:POKE 16,64:POKE 53774
,64
640 ? #6:? #6:? #6;" BUZZZ-ZAP!"
650 A=USR(1664):SETCOLOR 0,0,13:SOUND
1,192,10,7
660 ? #6:? #6;" BUT DAVID KARP"
670 A=USR(1664):SOUND 3,240,10,7
680 ? #6:? #6;" PRESS START"
690 FOR C=1 TO 3:SOUND C,0,0,0:NEXT C
700 SOUND 0,128,10,14:FOR I=1 TO 30:IF
PEEK(53279)=6 THEN RETURN
710 SOUND 1,192,10,12:NEXT I
720 SOUND 0,224,10,12:FOR I=1 TO 140:I
F PEEK(53279)=6 THEN RETURN
730 SOUND 1,254,10,10:NEXT I
740 FOR C=0 TO 3:SOUND C,0,0,0:NEXT C
750 ? #6:? #6;" BOARD$";PEEK(201
)
760 IF PEEK(53279)<>6 THEN 760
770 RETURN
780 POKE 77,0:FOR I=1 TO 4
790 READ X1,Y1,X2,Y2
800 IF X1=99 THEN RESTORE 1000:GOTO 78
0
810 PLOT X1,Y1:DRAWTO X2,Y2
820 NEXT I:SETCOLOR 1,INT(RND(0)*16),1
0
830 B=B+1:? #6:" BOARD #"
;B
840 RETURN
850 DIM PMMOV$(100):MOVE=ADR(PMMOV$):F
OR I=1 TO 100:READ N:PMMOV$(I)=CHR$(N)
:NEXT I
860 PMBASE=INT((PEEK(145)+3)/4)*4:POKE
54279,PMBASE
870 PMB=PMBASE*256:POKE 559,46:POKE 53
277,3
880 DATA 104,162,0,232,142,10,212,142,
23,208,142,22,208,224,255,240,3,76,131
,6,200,192,255,240,3,76,131,6,96
890 REM *****
900 DATA 216,104,104,104,133,213,104,2
4,105,2,133,206,104,133,205,104,133,20
4,104,133,203,104,104,133,208
910 DATA 104,104,133,209,104,104,24,10
1,209,133,207,166,213,240,16,165,205,2
4,105,128,133,205,165,206,105

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920 DATA 0,133,206,202,208,240,160,0,1
62,0,196,209,144,19,196,207,176,15,132
,212,138,168,177,203,164
930 DATA 212,145,205,232,169,0,240,4,1
69,0,145,205,200,192,128,208,224,166,2
13,165,208,157,0,208,96
940 REM ***
950 DATA 24,126,255,126,60
960 DATA 24,60,126,102,126,60
970 DATA 84,121,254,254,121,84
980 REM ***
990 DATA 28,4,16,4,16,4,5,15,5,15,35,1
5,38,1,24,15
1000 DATA 9,4,30,4,9,15,30,15,0,0,0,0,
0,0,0,0
1010 DATA 10,8,10,19,20,0,20,11,30,8,3
0,19,0,0,0,0
1020 DATA 20,18,20,13,1,10,17,10,20,1,
20,7,23,10,38,10
1030 DATA 7,7,7,12,7,12,32,12,32,12,32
,7,32,7,7,7
1040 DATA 1,6,20,6,30,6,38,6,20,12,38,
12,0,0,0,0
1050 DATA 1,10,10,1,38,10,30,18,10,10,
10,18,30,1,30,10
1060 DATA 8,9,16,4,9,10,16,16,32,10,26
,16,28,4,33,9
1070 DATA 20,4,20,15,6,10,33,10,9,15,3
0,15,9,4,30,4
1080 DATA 19,15,32,15,10,11,24,11,14,7
,28,7,19,3,32,3
1090 DATA 8,4,8,15,30,4,30,15,4,10,35,
10,13,15,25,4
1100 DATA 5,4,14,13,34,4,25,13,5,4,34,
4,19,1,19,10
1110 DATA 9,1,9,13,25,13,9,13,15,4,30,
4,30,4,30,18
1120 DATA 19,1,7,14,7,14,19,14,24,14,3
9,14,32,6,24,14

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1130 DATA 11,1,13,3,17,7,24,14,5,14,38
,14,24,14,24,18
1140 DATA 1,4,29,4,5,9,38,9,11,15,23,1
5,24,15,34,5
1150 DATA 17,4,7,15,19,4,19,15,21,4,31
,15,0,0,0,0
1160 DATA 28,4,16,4,16,4,5,15,5,15,35,
15,38,1,24,15
1170 DATA 99,0,0,0
1180 RETURN

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CHECKSUM DATA

(See page 23)

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10 DATA 878,525,753,529,773,317,749,48
8,476,975,631,287,988,522,304,9195
160 DATA 84,919,642,170,60,749,319,504
,976,989,298,334,999,12,374,7429
310 DATA 318,24,312,19,44,2,15,314,342
,499,510,501,522,329,719,4470
460 DATA 786,240,543,795,827,37,101,58
8,80,751,607,543,490,763,591,7742
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by Ray Berube

I first saw Omnitrend's **Universe** color advertisement in the pages of **ANALOG**. The test of the ad promised that "using high-resolution graphics, and more than 30 custom displays — distributed on four disks — Omnitrend's **Universe** allows you to experience the life of a starship captain. . ." As an avid role-playing gamer and **Traveler** fan, I was immediately intrigued. So, when asked if I could find the time to review **Universe**, I replied that I would *make* the time! Little did I know how much time would eventually be invested in reviewing this game.

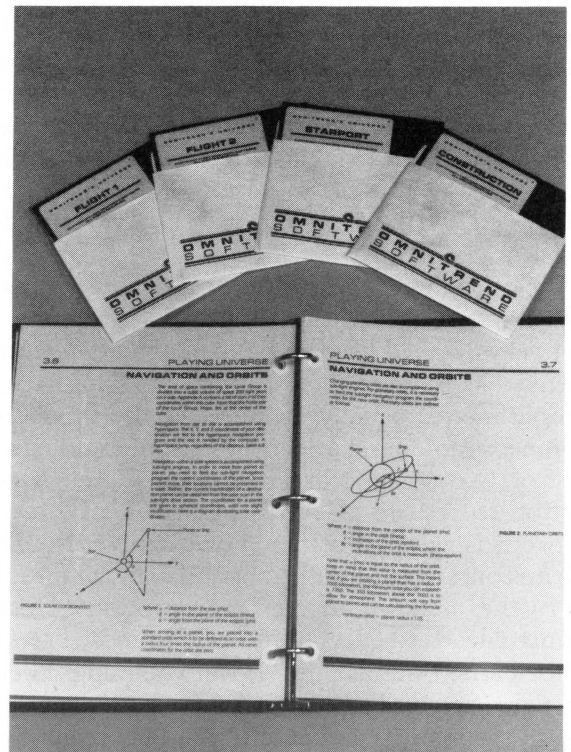
Before plunging into the log of my five-year journey through the **Universe**, I'd like to call attention to some "cosmetic" features of the game, and then briefly outline the idea behind Omnitrend's **Universe**.

The first thing that sells a game is usually the price or the reputation of its designers. Here, Omnitrend takes a big gamble. The designers (and the first page of the manual lists Mr. Carbone, Mr. Leslie, and a host of others) are not familiar to me. Then again, neither is Omnitrend Software. Names like Infocom, Scott Adams, Adventure International Sierra On-Line, Activision, Carol Shaw, Larry Kaplan, Epyx and others ring a bell — and sometimes a gong — with adventure enthusiasts. So adding a hefty price tag and an unknown group of designers to a new product is taking a gamble. Omnitrend felt the game was worth the gamble, and they were right. **Universe** should help to establish Omnitrend and its designers. It will admit them to that privileged club of quality game producers.

One of the most important cosmetic aspects of a game is its packaging. Infocom recognized that early on, and Omnitrend has followed their example. **Universe** is beautifully presented in a thickly padded, self-standing binder. This binder contains the game's instructions, a manual of operations, a disk sleeve for each disk and ample room to include any documentation the player decides to add (and add it you will!). The folder is clearly divided and organized to facilitate referencing and play. The paper is a high quality, glossy magazine stock, and typesetting is clear and easy to read. I used looseleaf reinforcements on the pages to prevent tearing, and with all the use the pages are put to during play, I

recommend it. Fine, you say, but nice packaging doesn't make a game. Agreed, but in this case it enhances the game's playability, so it is more than just a pretty box.

A word about the cost of **Universe** and then on to its playability. The game lists for \$89.95, but some incidental expenses (which are suggested in the manual but considered necessary by this reviewer) will push the cost to over \$100.00 for the game. I bought the reinforcements and a package of looseleaf filler, and suggest you do the same. In addition, the manual suggests that the player copy the disks to protect them from damage. I say it's necessary! You will need six blank disks: four to copy the game disks, a player disk you'll have to create and, finally, another disk to copy the player disk (more on why later). All this copying is made much less tedious by using Brian Moriarty's **Black Rabbit 2** (**ANALOG** Issue 9 or the improved version in the **ANALOG Compendium**). The progress of the game relies on menu selections, and disk swapping is constant. You'll cry if you don't copy a game disk and — while inserting it for the umpteenth time — you damage it. Your game is now worthless, so please make the copies!



Universe.

The premise of **Universe** is very simple. You are part of a fringe star group hundreds of light years from Earth. Your society depends on regular assistance packages from Earth which arrive via a one-way hyperspace booster system. Suddenly these packages stop arriving. Chaos and decline threaten your civilization, but hope springs out of confusion. It is

believed a hyperspace booster of similar design to those which allowed contact with Earth has surfaced in your star sector. Find the booster and you'll save your civilization.

Sounds easy, but wait! No one knows where the booster is, and as you begin the game, you don't even have a space ship. So you're a long way from grabbing that booster and saving civilization. This is where **Universe** begins and, right from its opening graphics, it grabs you.

The game allows you to enter into a mortgage and buy a ship and the barest minimum to outfit it. But star travel is expensive! In order to fund your search for the booster and keep your ship flying, you'll have to engage in mining or passenger transport or trading or contract work or even pirating innocent vessels. It is here in this realm of real experience that **Universe** overwhelms you. It is filled with detail and depth of experience. I can't imagine anyone playing **Universe** to the point of completely exploring all of its aspects! You can find the booster, but . . . that's just a lure to get you into becoming a starship captain. Once you own your ship, the game is exploration, gambling, warfare, experiencing a **Universe**.

How does Omnitrend achieve this wonderful feat? By a very structured and logical set of menus which guide the player but present new possibilities at each selection. What is a menu? Well, as a main frame business programmer, I'm very familiar with menu-driven data base systems, but it's not a common feature in adventures for the computer. So I'm going to break down the organization of **Universe** by delving into its menus.

Included in the appendices of **Universe** is a skeletal flowchart of how the game's logic proceeds. It is not very detailed but can be used to understand the menus. Most computer gamers are familiar with simple menus usually found after the title screen. Some examples are: select joystick or paddle; select one or two players; press start for a new game or option to restore a saved game. In **Universe** this concept is carried further. For example, the Flight Menu consists of nine options and many of these lead to further menus and even more options. Docking Control leads to Parts Removal, Purchase Parts and Place Parts. Sounds a little overwhelming? Well, at first glance it is. To play **Universe** a thorough reading of the manual and careful pre-play planning is a necessity. Now on to play action.

Play begins by booting the Construction disk, and after some impressive titles and opening music, the first block of text appears. This early text sequence doesn't allow for any real decisions from the player. You meet a bank loan officer, mortgage your ship, and are sent to the shipyards to choose a starship. From this point on, you are in control of your destiny! On arriving at the shipyards you encounter the first menu, a list of ten ship designs. Each design can

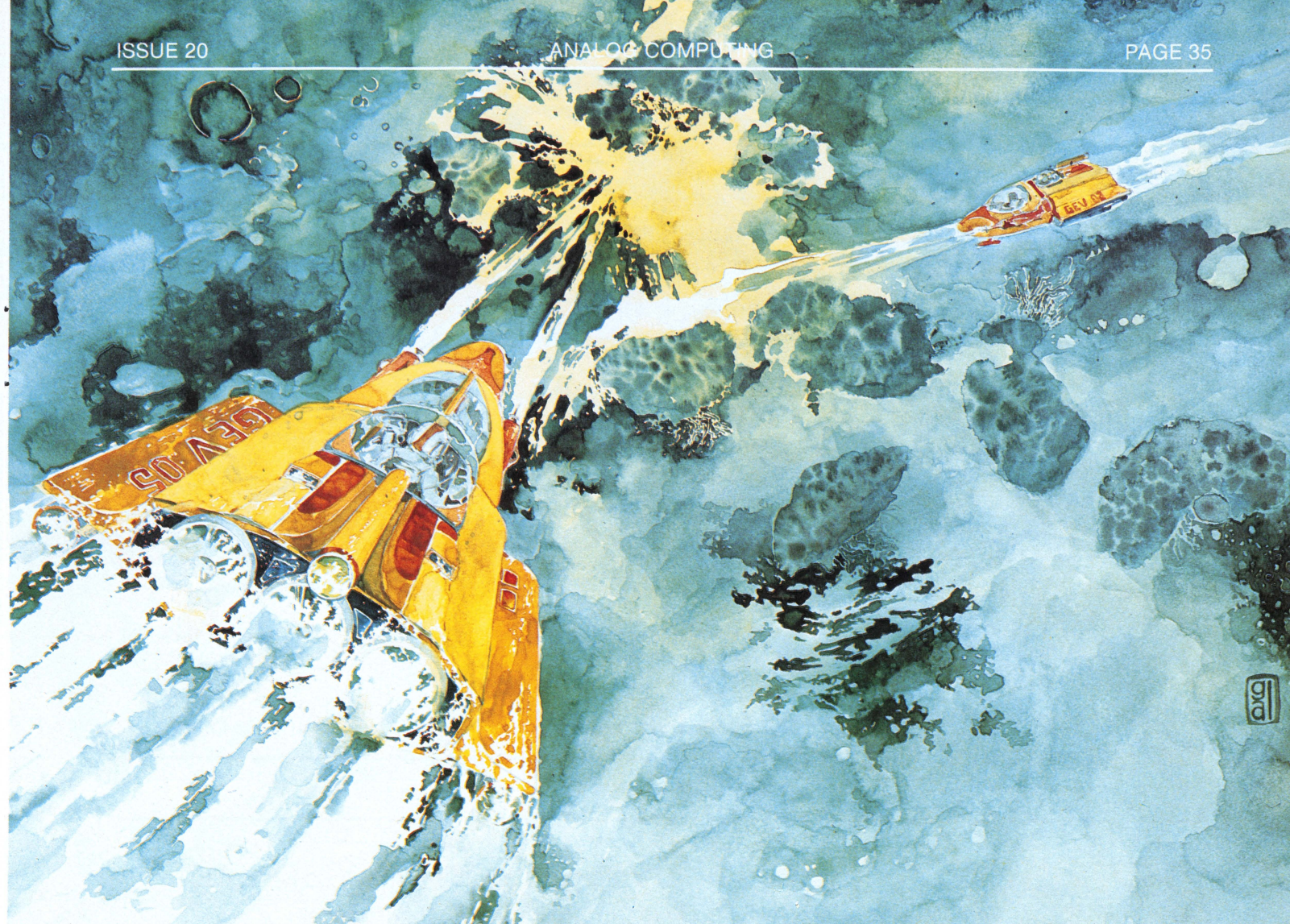
be called up and examined in detail. The screen, through a graphics window, presents a three-dimensional view, an overview and a side view of the design while a text area provides statistics such as cost, size, visibility, integrity and specific features. It's a good idea to study each ship design carefully. Some are more suited to mining or pirating than others and a poor choice can spell disaster later in the game. After selecting a design, the game requires you to create a player disk. This is a tedious task comprised of disk swapping that lasts for more than ten minutes! As the manual suggests, be patient. There's a lot of data being transferred. As soon as you complete your player disk, copy it! Otherwise, should you meet with an untimely accident like death later on (in the game, I mean), you'll have to re-create your player disk. With a copy you can pick right back up with the next section: Flight One.

The Flight One disk in conjunction with the Flight Two disk contains all of the menus needed for space operations. You select locations for equipment installation, hire crew members, buy fuel, weapons, additional equipment such as scanners, rescue pods, etc. You must become familiar with the operation of every part of your ship. In order to enter hyperspace, you must understand how your drive works (and there are several drives to choose from). Here is where the menus allow you total access to every part of your ship. You can select to operate or study drives, weapons, scanners, mining systems, computer controls, orbital shuttle functions and more — from just ONE flight menu! The ship is yours to exploit fully.

From passenger transfers to orbital shuttle repairs, the Starport menu covers just about any activity that might take place on reaching a distant star system. I can't begin to delve fully into each area of these menus in this limited review. In fact, I've played **Universe** steadily, six to eight hours a day, for over a week to do this review, and I'm still discovering new elements of the game! The Starport menu allows you to buy, sell and trade goods and services. It contains the activities of customs clearance, transfer of passengers, even repair and fueling of your shuttle. Outside of some unsavory activities omitted, it covers all the ground needed for exciting starport intrigue.

To conclude, **Universe** is a blend of text and graphics adventure. Though in places its pace is slower than most shoot-em-ups or text adventures, the richness of detail is unmatched. And when you're in a fire fight, nothing happens slowly.

If you buy **Universe**, you'll find months of playing pleasure ahead of you. Even though its price tag is a bit hefty, you get your money's worth and more. Let's face it, if we can shell out forty bucks for **Dig/Dug** and be bored with it after a week, we can surely invest \$89.95 or so for a game we'll still be playing throughout the year. □



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Loading instructions.

Before typing anything, look at the listings accompanying this article.

Listing 1 is the BASIC data and data checking routine. This listing is used to create both cassette and disk versions of **Bacterion!** The data statements are listed in hexadecimal (base 16), so the program will fit in 16K cassette systems. This makes typing more difficult, but if you want to play the game...

Listing 2 is the assembly language source

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code for **Bacterion!** You *do not* have to type this listing to play the game! It is included for those readers interested in assembly language.

Follow the instructions below to make either a cassette or disk version of **Bacterion!**

Cassette instructions.

1. Type Listing 1 into your computer using the BASIC cartridge, and verify your typing with **C:CHECK** (see page 23).

2. Type RUN and press RETURN. The program will begin and ask:

MAKE CASSETTE (0) OR DISK (1)?

Type 0 and press RETURN. The program will begin checking the DATA statements, printing the line number of each as it goes. It will alert you if it finds any problems. Fix any incorrect lines and re-RUN the program, if necessary, until all errors are eliminated.

3. When all DATA lines are correct, the computer will beep twice and prompt you to "READY CASSETTE AND PRESS RETURN." Insert a blank cassette in your recorder, press the RECORD and PLAY buttons simultaneously and hit RETURN. The message "WRITING FILE" will appear, and the program will create a machine language boot tape version of **Bacterion!**, printing each DATA line number as it goes. When the READY prompt appears, the game is recorded and ready to play. CSAVE the BASIC program onto a separate tape before continuing.

4. To play the game, rewind the tape created by the BASIC program to the beginning. Turn your computer OFF and remove all cartridges. Press the PLAY button on your recorder and turn ON your computer while holding down the START key. If you have a 600 or 800XL computer, you must hold the START and OPTION keys when you turn on the power. The computer will "beep" once. Hit the RETURN key and **Bacterion!** will load and run automatically.

Disk instructions.

1. Type Listing 1 into your computer, using the BASIC cartridge, and verify your typing with **D:CHECK2** (see page 23).

2. Type RUN and press RETURN. The program will ask:

MAKE CASSETTE (0) OR DISK (1)?

Type 1 and press RETURN. The program will begin checking the DATA lines, printing the line number of each statement as it goes. It will alert you if it finds any problems. Fix incorrect lines and re-RUN the program, if necessary, until all errors are eliminated.

3. When all DATA lines are correct, you will be prompted to "INSERT DISK WITH DOS, PRESS RETURN." Put a disk containing DOS 2.0S into drive #1 and press RETURN. The message "WRITING FILE" will appear, and the program will create an AUTORUN.SYS file on the disk, displaying each DATA line number as it goes. When the READY prompt appears, the game is ready to play. Be sure the BASIC program is SAVED before continuing.

4. To play the game, insert the disk containing the AUTORUN.SYS file into drive #1. Turn your computer OFF, remove all cartridges and turn the computer back ON. **Bacterion!** will load and run automatically.

Playing the game.

Bacterion! is a game for one or two players. In the two-player mode, both play simultaneously. In this mode, the game is more cooperative than competitive. You must prevent the six (count 'em, six!) different strains of Bacterion from removing the ten cerebral cells from the host Syntron. A cell is inoperative when it is completely removed from the screen.

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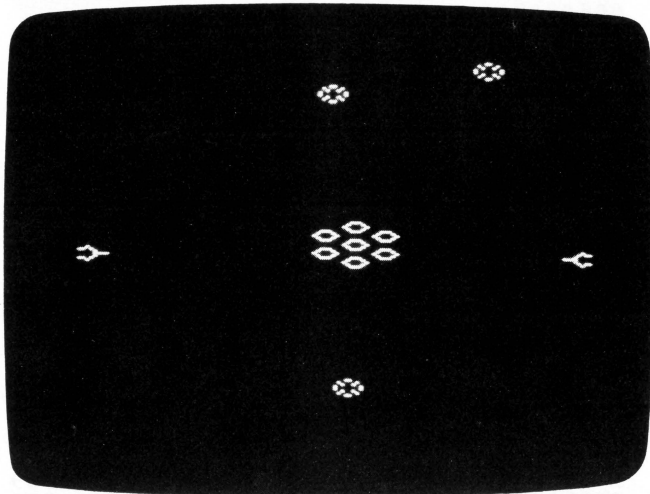


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As a member of BARF (Biological Armament Restriction Force), you are equipped with a miniaturized GEV (Genetic Extermination Vehicle) to aid you in your mission. The vehicle emits high-frequency photons from its nose, capable of vaporizing the Bacterion, while leaving brain tissue and other GEV's undamaged.



Bacterion!

Control over your GEV is accomplished through the joystick. A two-player game will require as many joysticks. Pushing up will cause your GEV to move forward. Moving the stick left or right will cause the vehicle to rotate in the respective direction. Pushing the trigger fires the photonic bursts. Any one player can have up to four high-energy photons on the screen at once. Holding down the trigger fires all available photons in rapid succession. Should your GEV be destroyed by either running into your opponent or being skragged by a Bacterion, you must wait several seconds for another GEV to be injected into the host. Parking or driving your GEV over a brain cell gives it unsure traction, which may cause the vehicle to rotate randomly. Each GEV is internally powered, so there is an unlimited supply of ammunition.

Initially, each Syntron has a unique brain pattern. You may select which of the three top political figures you wish to put "under the knife." Each individual has a total of ten cerebral cells. Some cells may be harder to visualize, since there may be two or more on top of one another.

The SELECT button will choose between a one- or two-player game. The OPTION button will choose which political leader you will operate on. Examination of the speed at which the colors change in the word "BACTERION!" on the title screen dictate the brain pattern. The Prime Minister of England, President of the U.S.S.R. and the President of the U.S. are your three available candidates. The START button will begin the game. Pausing or examination of scores is accomplished by pressing

the space bar. Pressing the space bar a second time will resume the life-or-death struggle. Each of the six attacking strains are worth from 10 to 60 points, respectively.

Additional credits.

My special thanks goes to Tom Hudson for his assistance in **Bacterion!** Through the use of his Graphics 7+ handler presented in issue #11, and some custom-made shape-drawing routines, we've put together the best (as in #1) two-player public domain assembly language game *ever!* If you agree or disagree, I'd like to hear it. Drop me a line, care of Kyle Peacock here at the editorial offices of ANALOG.

BASIC Listing.

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10 REM *** BACTERION ***
20 TRAP 20: ? "MAKE CASSETTE (0), OR DISK (1)"; INPUT DSK: IF DSK=1 THEN 20
30 TRAP 40000: DATA 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,10,11,12,13,14,15
40 DIM DAT$(91), HEX(22): FOR X=0 TO 22: READ N: HEX(X)=N: NEXT X: LINE=990: RESTORE 1000: TRAP 120: ? "CHECKING DATA"
50 LINE=LINE+10: ? "LINE:"; LINE: READ DAT$: IF LEN(DAT$) <> 90 THEN 220
60 DATLIN=PEEK(183)+PEEK(184)*256: IF DATLIN <> LINE THEN ? "LINE "; LINE; " MISSING!": END
70 FOR X=1 TO 89 STEP 2: D1=ASC(DAT$(X,X))-48: D2=ASC(DAT$(X+1,X+1))-48: BYTE=HEX(D1)*16+HEX(D2)
80 IF PASS=2 THEN PUT #1,BYTE: NEXT X: READ CHKSUM: GOTO 50
90 TOTAL=TOTAL+BYTE: IF TOTAL>999 THEN TOTAL=TOTAL-1000
100 NEXT X: READ CHKSUM: IF TOTAL=CHKSUM THEN 50
110 GOTO 220
120 IF PEEK(195) <> 6 THEN 220
130 IF PASS=0 THEN 170
140 IF NOT DSK THEN 160
150 PUT #1,224: PUT #1,2: PUT #1,225: PUT #1,2: PUT #1,0: PUT #1,40: CLOSE #1: END
160 FOR X=1 TO 2: PUT #1,0: NEXT X: CLOSE #1: END
170 IF NOT DSK THEN 200
180 ? "INSERT DISK WITH DOS, PRESS RETURN"; DIM IN$(1): INPUT IN$: OPEN #1,8,0,"D:AUTORUN.5Y5"
190 PUT #1,255: PUT #1,255: PUT #1,0: PUT #1,40: PUT #1,85: PUT #1,59: GOTO 210
200 ? "READY CASSETTE AND PRESS RETURN"; OPEN #1,8,128,"C:": RESTORE 230: FOR X=1 TO 40: READ N: PUT #1,N: NEXT X
210 ? : ? "WRITING FILE": PASS=2: LINE=990: RESTORE 1000: TRAP 120: GOTO 50
220 ? "BAD DATA: LINE "; LINE: END
230 DATA 0,39,216,39,255,39,169,0,141,47,2,169,60,141,2,211,169,0,141,231,2,133,14,169,56,141,232,2
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CHECKSUM DATA

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176,260,139,808,794,46,226,882,7358
1210 DATA 131,146,200,935,5,841,50,688
,71,755,994,67,182,274,571,5910
1360 DATA 914,577,146,147,630,600,957,
868,3,373,938,541,827,230,251,8002
1510 DATA 412,913,920,795,644,634,908,
931,136,99,182,703,906,416,526,9125
1660 DATA 468,727,71,30,556,46,366,116
,32,46,153,69,19,939,726,4364
1810 DATA 703,590,358,106,257,888,174,
243,783,663,881,961,979,76,938,8600
1960 DATA 986,316,44,853,937,937,837,8
72,993,559,434,731,938,648,10085

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* ATARI MEMORY USAGE

CASINI EQU #0002 IRESTART VECTOR
DOSVEC EQU #000A IRESTART VECTOR
DOSINI EQU #000C IRESTART VECTOR
SDMCTL EQU #022F IDMA ENABLE SHADOW
FMBASE EQU #0407 IPM BASE REG.
GRACLT EQU #001D IGRAPHICS CONTROL
GPRIOR EQU #026F IPRIORITY CONTROL
AUDC1 EQU #D201 IAUDIO CHANNELS
AUDC2 EQU #D203
AUDC3 EQU #D205
AUDC4 EQU #D207
AUDF1 EQU #D200 IAUDIO FREQUENCIES
AUDF2 EQU #D202
AUDF3 EQU #D204
AUDF4 EQU #D206
AUDCTL EQU #D208 IAUDIO CONTROL
HITCLR EQU #001E ICLEAR COLLISIONS
WSYNC EQU #040A IWAIT FOR HOR SYNC.
RANDOM EQU #D20A IRANDOM **
PCOLR0 EQU #02C0 ICOLOR OF PLR/MIS
COLPFF0 EQU #D016 IPLAYFIELD COLOR #0
COLOR0 EQU #02C4 ICOLOR REGISTERS
PCOLR4 EQU #02C6 IBACKGROUND COLOR
NMEN EQU #D40E INMI INTER. ENABLE
CH EQU #02FC ILAST KEY PRESSED
SKSTAT EQU #D20F IKEYBOARD STATUS
RTCLK EQU #12 IINTERNAL CLOCK
VDSLST EQU #0200 IDLI VECTOR
DLSL EQU #0230 IDLSI VECTOR
HPOSP0 EQU #D000 IHOR. POS. PLR 0
HPOSP1 EQU #D001 IHOR. POS. PLR 1
HPOSP2 EQU #D002 IHOR. POS. PLR 2
HPOSP3 EQU #D003 IHOR. POS. PLR 3
HPOSM0 EQU #D004 IHOR. POS. MISS 0
HPOSM1 EQU #D005 IHOR. POS. MISS 1
HPOSM2 EQU #D006 IHOR. POS. MISS 2
HPOSM3 EQU #D007 IHOR. POS. MISS 3
ATTRACT EQU #4D IATTRACT MODE FLAG
CONSOLE EQU #D01F ICONSOLE BUTTONS
SICK0 EQU #0278 IJOYSTICK PORT 0
PO EQU #D00C IPLR/PLR COLLISIONS
MPL EQU #D009 IMIS/PLR COLLISIONS
POFF EQU #D004 IPLR/PLR COLLISIONS
TRIG0 EQU #D010 IJOYSTICK BUTTON 0

* ATARI HARDWARE REGISTERS
SETVBI EQU #E45C IBET SYS. TIMERS
SYSVBI EQU #E45F I1st STAGE VBLANK
XITVBI EQU #E462 IX-IT VBLANK
SIOINV EQU #E465 ISIO INIT

* PLAYER/MISSILE DATA AREA

PLAYBS EQU #0000
MISS EQU #0000
PLAY0 EQU #0000
PLAY1 EQU #0000
PLAY2 EQU #0000
PLAY3 EQU #0000

* DISPLAY DATA AREA

DLIST EQU #1F00
DISP1 EQU #2010
DISP2 EQU #3000

* ZERO PAGE VARIABLES

ORG #00

LO DS 1
HI DS 1
BALO DS 1
BAHI DS 1
DRWLO DS 1
DRWHI DS 1
PLLO DS 1
PLHI DS 1

* VARIABLES

* PRIMARY USE IN 'PLOTTER' ROUTINE.

PLOTX DS 1 IPLOT X-COORD.
PLOTY DS 1 IPLOT Y-COORD.
COLOR DS 1 IPPOINT COLOR.
DRAWX DS 1 IDRAWTO X-COORD.
DRAWY DS 1 IDRAWTO Y-COORD.
ACCX DS 1 IX ACCUM.
ACCY DS 1 IY ACCUM.
DELTA DS 1 IDRAW WORK AREA.
DELTA DS 1 IDRAW WORK AREA.
INCX DS 1 IDRAW X INCREMENT.
INCY DS 1 IDRAW Y INCREMENT.
COUNTR DS 1 IDRAWTO COUNTER.
ENDPT DS 1 IDRAWTO ENDPPOINT.
HOLD DS 1 IWORK AREA.
XWORK DS 1
YWORK DS 1
YOFFSET DS 1 IPLOT Y OFFSET.
SHAPEX DS 1 IOBJECT #
SHAPEY DS 1 IOBJECT #
SHAPECT DS 1 IOBJECT SHAPE COUNTER.
XI DS 1 IOBJECT X INCREMENT.
YI DS 1 IOBJECT Y INCREMENT.
LENGTH DS 1 IOBJECT (TAKE A GUESS!)

* PRIMARY USE IN 'TEST' ROUTINE.

VSTOP DS 1 ISTOP VBLANK FLAG.
LSOUND DS 1 ILASER SOUND FLAG.
XSOUND DS 1 IDETONATION SOUND FLAG.
DSOUND DS 1 ICANNON SOUND FLAG.
FREQ DS 1 IPULSE SOUND FREQUENCY.
DEMO DS 1 IBAME UNDERWAY FLAG.
STRUCT DS 1 ICELL STRUCTURE #.
NOPLAY DS 1 IF OF PLAYERS.
DELAY DS 2 IPULSE SOUND DELAY.
LISTPT DS 1 IDISPLAY LIST POINTER.
SCORE1 DS 2 ILO-BYTE OF SCORES.
SCORE2 DS 2 IMD-BYTE OF SCORES.
SCORE3 DS 2 IHI-BYTE OF SCORES.
TSCR1 DS 3 ITOTAL SCORE BYTES.
CELLNUM DS 1 ICELL # BEING DRAWN.
CELLREF DS 1 ICELL # BEING REFRERESHED

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* PRIMARY USE IN 'STRAT' ROUTINE.

GEVNUM DS 1 IATTACKING BACTERION! #
FRANGE DS 1 IATTACK PLAYER RADIUS.
GEVESC DS 1 IF OF ESCAPED VESSELS.
TOTCEL DS 1 IF OF CELLS REMAINING.
TURN DS 1 IBACTERION! TURN TIMERS
FIRETM DS 1 IIRAM COPY OF 'GEVFRE'

* PRIMARY USE IN 'SHOOT' ROUTINE.

FDELAY DS 2 IDELAY BETWEEN SHOTS.
NOBULL DS 2 IF OF BULLETS FIRED.
NOKILL DS 2 IF OF VESSELS KILLED.

* PRIMARY USE IN 'TEST' ROUTINE.

CELLMV DS 20 ICELL MOVING FLAG.
CELLNX DS 20 ICELL NEW X-COORD.
CELLDX DS 20 ICELL OLD X-COORD.

ORG #1CB5

CELLNY DS 20 ICELL NEW Y-COORD.
CELLDY DS 20 ICELL OLD Y-COORD.
GEVCEL DS 20 ICELL # BEING HEISTED.

* PRIMARY USE IN 'STRAT' ROUTINE.

GEVFRE DS 20 IBACTERION! FIRE TIMERS
MOVEV DS 20 IBACTERION! MOVE TIMERS
GEVDES DS 20 IDESIRE DIRECTION.
GEVDIR DS 20 IACTUAL DIRECTION.
ATTACK DS 20 IATTACKING PLAYER FLAG.
ESCAPE DS 20 IY-COORD FOR ESCAPING.
STOP DS 20 IBACTERION! ICED FLAG.
GEVX DS 20 IBACTERION! X-COORD.
GEVY DS 20 IBACTERION! Y-COORD.
TARX DS 20 IBACTERION! TARGET-X.
TARY DS 20 IBACTERION! TARGET-Y.
LBRDIR DS 20 ILASER FIRING DIRECTION
LBRTHM DS 20 ILASER LIFE TIMER.
LASERX DS 20 ILASER X-COORD.
LASERY DS 20 ILASER Y-COORD.

* PRIMARY USE IN 'DRAW' ROUTINE.

TYPE DS 20 IVESSEL TYPE.
PHASE DS 20 IVESSEL PHASE.
TYPES DS 1 IATTACKING TYPE.

* PRIMARY USE IN 'SHOOT' ROUTINE.

SPEED DS 20 ISPEED A PLAYER MOVES.
CSPEED DS 20 IIRAM COPY OF 'SPEED'.
BULLET DS 20 IBULLET OWNER (0 OR 1)

TITLE 'BACTERION! MASTER ASSEMBLY'
INCLUDE D:BEV.TXT

ORG #2800
LOC #0800

TITLE 'ONE SHOT INITIALIZER'
PROC

* RELOCATE CODE

MOVEIT JSR SIOINV IINIT SOUNDS.
LDA #022 IINITIALIZE
STA SDMCTL IDMA CONTROL.
LDA #HIGH #2800 ISET ORIGIN
STA HI IADDR. IN
LDA #LOW #2800 I2-LOC.
STA LO IFOINTER.
LDA #HIGH #0800 ISET DESTIN-
STA BAHI IATTION IN 2-
LDA #LOW #0800 IBYTE
STA BALO IFOINTER.
LDY #00 IRESET Y-REG.
LDA (LO),Y IMOVE A 256
STA (BALD),Y IBYTE BLOCK
INY IUSING Y-REG.
BNE MOVEVP I
INC HI INEXT 256-
INC BAHI IBYTE BLOCK.
LDA HI I
CMP #44 IDONE YET?
BNE MOVEVP INO-KEEPTUP.
LDA #HIGH TEST I9NAG ALL
STA DOSINI+1 IRESET
STA CASINI+1 IVECTORS
STA DOSVEC+1 ISO AS TO
LDA #LOW TEST IAGAIN
STA DOSINI ICOMPLETE
STA CASINI ICONTROL OF
STA DOSVEC ITHE SYSTEM.
JMP TEST IALL DONE. START!

* BUILD GAME BOARD DISPLAY LIST

INIT LDX #000 IRESET X-REG.
LDA #00E IDLIST OP-CODE
STA DLIST,X ISTORE IT.
DEX IDONE YET?
BNE BDLOOP INO! GO BACK!
LDA #70 I
STA DLIST+0 IINSTALL
STA DLIST+1 IREMAINDER OF
LDA #F0 ISPECIAL
STA DLIST+2 IDISPLAY
LDA #4E I
STA DLIST+3 ILIST OP-
STA DLIST+107 ICODES & OP-
LDA #HIGH DISP IERANDS INTO
STA DLIST+5 IDISPLAY
LDA #LOW DISP ILIST.
STA DLIST+4 I
STA DLIST+109 I
STA DLIST+109 I
LDA #LOW DISP2 I
STA DLIST+108 I
LDA #44 I
STA DLIST+200 I
LDA #8E I
STA DLIST+199 I
LDA #HIGH DLIST I
STA DLIST+202 I
LDA #LOW DLIST I
STA DLIST+201 I

* PLAYER/MISSILE INITIALIZATION

LDA #3E I
STA SDMCTL IDMA ENABLE.
LDA #HIGH PLAYBS IPM BASE
STA FMBASE IADDRESS.

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* GRAPHICS
* CONTROL.
* CONTROL.
* PRIORITY.
* REGISTERS.
* CLEAR OUT
* PLAYER 0
* PLAYER 1
* ALL DONE?
* NO! CONT.

* CLEAR OUT PLAYERS' SCORES

LDX #002
LDA #000 IFILL WITH 0
:CLR92 STA SCORE1,X
STA SCORE2+1,X
STA TSCR1,X
DEX
BPL :CLR92 IALL DONE?
INO! CONTINUE

* CLEAR PLAYFIELD AREA

LDA #LOW DISP IILL LET
STA LO IYOU GUYS
LDA #HIGH DISP IFigure OUT
STA HI IWHAT'S GOING
LDX #0 ION HERE!
CDLP LDA LO
STA LOTBL,X IIM SO LAZY!
LDA HI
STA HITBL,X
LDA #0
LDY #39
STA (LO),Y
DEX
BPL CDLP2
INX
CPX #192
BEQ DOIT
LDA LO
CLC
ADC #40
STA LO
LDA HI
ADC #0
STA HI
JMP CDLP

* SET UP ATOMIC PILE CELLS

DOIT LDX STRUCT
LDY STRBSE,X
LDX #9
STX TOTCEL
SETCEL LDA :CELLX,Y IX-COORDS
STA CELLOX,X
STA CELLNX,X
LDA :CELLY,Y IY-COORDS
STA CELLOY,X
STA CELLNY,X
LDA #000
STA CELLMV,X ICCells NOT MOV-
INY IING STATUS.
DEX
BPL SETCEL

* SET UP PLAYERS PROBS

LDX #000 IFIP TO GAME
STX LISTPT IBOARD SCREEN.
STX GEVX+0 IX-COORD
STX GEVX+1 IX-COORD.
JSR SETPLR ISET IT UP NOW.
LDA NOPLAY I1 PLAYER GAME?
BEQ SETTYP IYES! SKIP #2
INX INO! SET UP PLR 2.
JSR SETPLR ISET IT UP NOW.

* ATTACKING BACTERION! TYPE

SETTYP LDA #001 ISLOWEST TYPE
STA TYPES IATTACKS FIRST.
STA TYPE+2
STA TYPE+3
STA TYPE+4

* BACTERION! INITIAL A.I. SPEEDS

SETMDB LDX #005
LDA IMOVDB,X IMOVEMENT SPEED
STA MOVDB,X
LDA ITURDB,X ITURN SPEED
STA TURNDB,X
LDA IFIRDB,X IFIRE SPEED
STA FREBSE,X
DEX
BPL SETMDB
JMP INIT2

* INITIALIZE GIVEN PLAYER

SETPLR LDA #000 IPLAYER NO LONG-
STA STOP,X IER DEAD OR EXP-
STA TYPE,X ILOADING.
LDA #001 ISET UP FOR
STA SPEED,X ICOSTAINING SPEED.
STA CSPEED,X I
LDA PLRPHS,X ICORRECT TYPE
STA PHASE,X IOF VESSEL
STA GEVDIR,X IPHASE.
LDA PLRX,X IPROPER X-COORD.
STA GEVX,X I
LDA #120 IPROPER Y-COORD.
STA GEVY,X I
RTS IALL DONE...

PLRX DB 44,195 IINITIAL X-COORDS
PLRPHS DB 12,4 IINITIAL DIRECTIONS

* BACTERION! INITIAL TURNING DATABASE

ITURDB DB 52,44,36,20,20,12

* BACTERION! INITIAL MOVING DATABASE

IMOVDB DB 13,11,09,07,05,03

* BACTERION! INITIAL FIRING TIMES

IFIRDB DB 70,65,60,55,50,45

* OFFSET DATABASE TO CELL FORMATIONS

STRBSE DB 0,10,20

* CELLS INITIAL X-COORDS

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:ICELX DB 68,80,72,62,74
DB 86,98,68,80,72
DB 79,79,79,79,73
DB 83,67,91,61,97
DB 79,71,87,79,79
DB 79,79,71,87,79

* CELLS INITIAL Y-COORDS
:ICELY DB 93,93,93,96,96
DB 96,96,99,99,99
DB 76,82,88,94,98
DB 98,102,102,106,106
DB 86,90,90,94,94
DB 94,94,98,98,102

TITLE 'BACTERION! MULTI-INITIALIZER'
INIT2 PROC

* ALLOW THINGS TO SETTLE DOWN
LDX #001 ;STOP VERTICAL
STX VSTOP ;BLANK ROUTINE.

* INITIALIZE SOUNDS
DEX ;
TXA ;
STA AUDC3 ;TURN OFF SOUND
STA AUDC4 ;REGISTERS & INIT
STA AUDCTL ;SOUND CHANNELS.

* CLEAR PLAYER MISSILE AREA
:ER1 STA MISS,X ;BACTERION! #1.
STA PLAY2,X ;BACTERION! #2.
STA PLAY3,X ;BACTERION! #3.
STA HITCLR ;CLEAR COLLISIONS
DEX ;
BNE :ER1

* ENEMY BACTERION! X,Y,& DIRECTION
SETGEV LDX #004 ;HANDLE ALL.
LDA TYPES ;GET TYPE OF ATT-
STA TYPE,X ;ACKING BACTERION.
JSR PICKX ;RANDOM X-COORD.
STA BEVX,X ;STORE IT.
LDA RANDOM ;RANDOM NUMBER.
BPL :PLUS1 ;BRANCH IF > 0.
LDA #21 ;INITIAL Y-COORD.
BNE :PLUS2 ;BRANCH!
:PLUS1 LDA #220 ;INITIAL Y-COORD.
STA BEVY,X ;STORE IT.
JSR PICKDR ;RANDOM DIRECTION.

* ENEMY BACTERION! R# TARGET CELL
SEL LDA #000 ;CLEAR
STA TRY ;COUNTERS.
STA BEVESC ;# OF ESCAPEES.
STA STOP,X ;DEATH STATUS.
STA BEVCEL,X ;TARGET CELL.
STA LSRDIR,X ;LASER FLAG.
STA BEVFRE,X ;FIRE TIME FLAG.
STA ESCAPE,X ;ESCAPE Y-COORD.

LDA RANDO ;GET RANDOM #
CMP #008 ;GREATER THAN #DB
BCS SELIT ;YES, BRANCH!

SEL0 LDA #00A ;RANDOM # SEED
JSR RANDO ;GET RANDOM CELL #
TAY ;STORE IN Y-REG.

CPICK0 STX :XHOLD ;SAVE X-REG.
LDA ESCAPE,X ;ESCAPE Y-COORD
BEQ CPICK1 ;EQUAL 0?
TYA ;NO! MOVE Y TO A
CMP BEVCEL,X ;IS THIS CELL
BEQ SEL1 ;SPOKEN FOR?
CPICK1 INX ;NO! MOVE ON
CPX #005 ;TO NEXT
BNE CPICK0 ;BACTERION!
LDX :XHOLD ;RESTORE X-REG.

* HEIST THIS CELL (IN Y-REG.)
LDA CELLNY,Y ;CELL Y-COORD.
CMP #194 ;OFF SCREEN?
BCS SEL1 ;YES, TRY AGAIN.
LDA #002 ;RANDOM # SEED.
JSR RANDO ;GET RANDOM #.
STY :YHOLD ;SAVE Y-REG.
TAY ;MOVE # TO ACC.
LDA ESCDT,Y ;GET PROPER ES-
STA ESCAPE,X ;CAPE Y-COORD.
LDA CELDT,Y ;GET OFFSET FOR
LDY :YHOLD ;LOCKING ON TO
CLC ;TOP OR BOTTOM
ADC CELLNY,Y ;OF CELL & STORE
STA TARY,X ;IN TARGET-Y.
LDA CELLNX,Y ;GET X-COORD OF
CLC ;CELL & STORE
ADC #44 ;IN TARGET-X.
STA TARX,X ;
TYA ;MAKE THIS CELL
STA BEVCEL,X ;SPOKEN FOR.
JMP SEL2 ;HANDLE NEXT.

SEL1 LDX :XHOLD ;RESTORE X-REG.
DEC TRY ;DEC COUNTERS
BNE SEL0 ;& BRANCH!

* CAN'T FIND A CELL, ATTACK PLAYERS
SELIT LDY NOPLAY ;# OF PLAYERS.
INY ;ADD ONE.
TYA ;RANDOM # SEED.
JSR RANDO ;GET RANDOM #.
TAY ;MOVE TO Y-REG.
LDA BEVX,Y ;PLAYER'S X-COORD.
STA TARX,X ;USE AS TARGET-X.
LDA BEVY,Y ;PLAYER'S Y-COORD.
STA TARY,X ;USE AS TARGET-Y.

SEL2 DEX ;HANDLE NEXT
CPX #001 ;BACTERION! (IF
BEQ :NEXT ;WE AREN'T DONE.)
JMP SETGEV ;JUMP TO IT!

* SET UP RANGE OF ATTACK
:NEXT LDA #40
STA FRANGE

* SET UP FIRING TIME
LDX TYPES ;ATTACK TYPE.
LDA FREBSE-1,X ;GET DATA FROM
STA FIRETM ;FIRING DB.
CMP #005 ;IS IT < 5?
BCC PROJ1 ;NO! BRANCH!
SEC ;YES! SUBTRACT
SBC #003 ;3 & STORE
STA FREBSE-1,X ;IT IN DB.

* CLEAR PROJECTILE WORK AREA
PROJ1 LDX #12 ;HANDLE ALL.
LDA #0FF ;INACTIVE STATUS.
STA BULLET,X ;OWNER.
STA CELLNX+5,X ;X-COORD.
STA CELLNY+5,X ;Y-COORD.
STA CELLNV+5,X ;MOVING.
DEX ;
CPX #004 ;HANDLE NEXT
BNE CLRPRO ;IF ANY).

* SET UP COLOR DATABASES
:SET1 LDX #003 ;COUNTER.
LDA RANDO ;RANDOM #.
AND #0F0 ;ZAP LO-NIBBLE.
ORA #00A ;& W/DECIMAL 10.
STA PCOLR0,X ;STORE IT.
LDA RANDO ;RANDOM #.
AND #0F0 ;ZAP LO-NIBBLE.
ORA :FIELD,X ;OR W/PLAYFIELD.
STA COLOR0,X ;STORE IT.
DEX ;
BPL :SET1 ;BRANCH!

LDA #000 ;CLEAR.
STA NOBULL+0 ;# OF BULLETS
STA NOKILL+0 ;FIRED & # OF
STA NOBULL+1 ;BACTERIONS!
STA NOKILL+1 ;VAPORIZED.

STA VSTOP ;START VBLANK.
RTS ;BUG OFF!!!

* BACTERION! FIRE TIME DATABASE
FREBSE DB 0,0,0,0,0,0

* OFFSETS TO TOP & BOTTOM OF CELL
CELDT DB 21,36

* Y-COORDS FOR ESCAPING BACTERION!
ESCDT DB 10,245

* COLOR LUM. FOR PLAYERS & PLAYFIELDS
:PLAYC DB 00C,00C,00A,00A
:FIELD DB 00C,00B,00B,00A

* PICK A RANDOM X-COORD.
PICKX LDA #100
JSR RANDO
CLC
ADC #75
RTS

* PICK A RANDOM DIRECTION (0-15)
PICKDR LDA #16
JSR RANDO
STA BEVDIR,X
RTS

* PICK A RANDOM # (0 UP TO ACC.)
RANDO STA HOLDME
LDA RANDOM
RANDO1 CMP HOLDME
BCC RANDOUT
LSR A
LSR A
JMP RANDO1
RANDOUT RTS

HOLDME DB 0 ;TEMP STORAGE.
TRY DB 0 ;COUNTER.
:XHOLD DB 0 ;X-REG TEMP STORAGE.
:YHOLD DB 0 ;Y-REG TEMP STORAGE.
C TITLE 'GET THE GAME GOING...'

TEST PROC
LDA #000 ;TURN OFF
STA AUDC1 ;SOUND
STA AUDC2 ;REGISTERS.
JSR :SETF0 ;SET UP TITLE
JSR ADITUP ;SCREEN SCORES
LDA #001 ;& SHOW TITLE
STA LISTPT ;SCREEN.
STA VSTOP ;

LDA #006 ;SET UP VERT-
LDX #HIGH VBL ;ICAL BLANK
LDY #LOW VBL ;ROUTINES.
JSR SETVBV ;

LDA #007 ;SET UP DEF.
LDX #HIGH DBL ;VERTICAL
LDY #LOW DBL ;BLANK
JSR SETVBV ;ROUTINES.

LDA #0C0 ;SET UP DLI
STA NMEN ;ROUTINES.

LDA SHUTUP ;
LDA DEMO ;WAIT FOR PUSH
CMP #001 ;OF START KEY.
BNE :DEMOX ;
INC DEMO ;

JSR INIT ;INITIALIZE...

* START OF NEW GAME
SAVE0 LDA DEMO ;CHANGE STATUS
CMP #002 ;OF DEMO
BNE TEST ;VARIABLE

* GAME PAUSED?
PROJ6 LDA CH ;IS SPACEBAR
CMP #021 ;PRESSED?
BNE :REFCL ;YES. IS BAR

LDA BKSTAT ;STILL BEING
AND #004 ;PRESSED?
BEQ :REFCL ;YES-CONTINUE.

JSR ADITUP ;ADD UP SCORES

LDA TOTCEL ;HOLD # OF
PHA ;CELLS LEFT.
LDA #00A ;MAKE WEIRD
STA TOTCEL ;SOUND.

LDA #001 ;SWITCH TO
STA LISTPT ;TITLE SCREEN.
STA VSTOP ;
STA CH ;WAIT FOR
JSR SHUTUP ;SPACEBAR.

LDA CH ;IS SPACEBAR
CMP #021 ;PRESSED? NO,
BNE :WAIT1 ;SO WAIT.
LDA BKSTAT ;YES. IS BAR
AND #004 ;STILL BEING
BEQ :WAIT2 ;PRESSED?

PLA ;RESTORE # OF
STA TOTCEL ;CELLS LEFT.

LDA #000 ;SWITCH BACK
STA LISTPT ;TO PLAYFIELD
STA VSTOP ;& CONTINUE...
STA CH ;

* REFRESH CELLS (ONE PER PASS)
:REFCL DEC CELREF ;OUT OF CELLS
BPL GETCEL ;TO REFRESH?
LDA #009 ;YES. START
STA CELREF ;AGAIN...
LDX CELREF ;GET CELL # TO
STA CELLNV,X ;REFRESH & SEE
BNE BOTCEL ;IF IT MOVES.

LDA CELLOX,X ;CELL X-COORD
STA PLOTX ;
LDA CELLOY,X ;CELL Y-COORD
STA PLOTY ;
LDA #1 ;SPEC. COLOR
STA COLOR ;
LDA #0 ;SPEC. OBJECT
JSR OBJECT ;DRAW IT...

* DRAW MOVING CELLS (ALL AT ONCE)
BOTCEL LDA #009 ;SET UP CELL #
STA CELNUM ;TO DRAW.
LDX CELNUM ;GET CELL #.
LDA CELLNV,X ;IS IT BEING
BEQ SAVE2 ;CARRIED OFF?
JSR SHOCCL ;YES! DRAW IT.
DEC CELNUM ;MOVE ON TO
BPL SAVE1 ;NEXT CELL.

* DRAW & ERASE BACTERION! LASERS
LDA #004 ;CHECK ALL
STA LSRCNT ;VESSELS.
LDX LSRCNT ;IS THIS VES-
LDA LSRDIR,X ;SEL FIRING?
BEQ NXTLSR ;NO. CONTINUE.
BMI LASER5 ;YES. ERASE?
ORA #000 ;SET UP LASER
STA LSRDIR,X ;TO BE ERASED.
LDA #002 ;SPECIFY COLOR
STA COLOR ;OF LASER.
LDA BEVX,X ;GET X-COORD
SEC ;OF FIRING
SBC #44 ;& USE
STA LASERX,X ;AS LASER
STA PLOTX ;X-COORD.
LDA BEVY,X ;GET Y-COORD
SEC ;OF FIRING
SBC #01C ;VESSEL & USE
STA #192 ;AS LASER
BCS LASER6 ;Y-COORD DO
STA LASERY,X ;NOT FIRE IF
STA PLOTY ;NOT ON-SCREEN
LDA LSRDIR,X ;ELSE, DRAW
AND #07F ;FIRING LASER
JSR OBJECT ;(DEATH RAY).
JMP NXTLSR ;HANDLE NEXT.
LDA LSRTIME,X ;TIME TO
BPL NXTLSR ;ERASE LASER?
LDA LASERX,X ;YES. GET X
STA PLOTX ;COORD & Y
LDA LASERY,X ;COORD FOR
STA PLOTY ;ERASING.
LDA #000 ;SPECIFY COLOR
STA COLOR ;AS BACKGROUND.
LDA LSRDIR,X ;NOW ERASE
AND #07F ;LASER.
JSR OBJECT ;
LDX LSRCNT ;TURN OFF
LDA #000 ;LASER FOR
STA LSRDIR,X ;THIS VESSEL.
NXTLSR DEC LSRCNT ;HANDLED ALL
LDA LSRCNT ;LASERS? IF
CMP #001 ;SO QUIT.
BNE LASER3 ;ELSE GO BACK.

* DRAW & ERASE PROJECTILES
PROJ5 LDX #17 ;HANDLE ALL.
LDA CELLMV,X ;IS THIS BULLET
BEQ PROJ6 ;ACTIVE?
LDA CELLOX,X ;YES. GET X
STA PLOTX ;COORD.
LDA CELLOY,X ;GET Y-COORD.
STA PLOTY ;OF BULLET.
LDA #000 ;SET UP TO ERASE
STA CELLMV,X ;THIS BULLET
STA COLOR ;SPECIFY COLOR.
STX :XHOLD ;SAVE X-REG.
JSR PLOTPT ;ERASE IT NOW!
LDX :XHOLD ;RESTORE X-REG.
LDA CELLNX,X ;GET NEW BULLET
STA CELLOX,X ;X-COORD & PRE-
STA PLOTX ;PARE TO PLOT.
LDA CELLNY,X ;GET NEW BULLET
STA CELLOY,X ;Y-COORD & PRE-
STA PLOTY ;PARE TO PLOT.
LDA #003 ;SPECIFY COLOR
STA COLOR ;OF NEW BULLET.
STX :XHOLD ;SAVE X-REG.
JSR PLOTPT ;DRAW NEW BULLET
LDX :XHOLD ;RESTORE X-REG.
DEX ;MOVE ON TO NEXT
CPX #009 ;BULLET. IF NONE
BNE PROJ5 ;LEFT, QUIT.

* ALL CELLS GONE?

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GAME3	LDA TOTCEL	!TOTAL # OF CELLS	JSR MOVE	BOOM	LDX XSOUND	!18 SOUND ON?	
	BPL GAME1	!YES, SOUND OFF.			BEQ BOMOFF	!NO, CONTINUE.	
	JSR SHUTUP	!STOP ALL SCREEN	XITVBL	JMP SYSVBL	DEX	!YES, GET PROPER	
	LDA #001	!ACTION.		DEF. VERTICAL BLANK	DEC XSOUND	!FREQ. AND STORE	
	STA VSTOP	!SET UP TO			LDA XTBL,X	!INTO SOUND	
	STA RTCLOCK+2	!PAUSE FOR A			STA AUDF3	!REGISTER.	
	LDX RTCLOCK+1	!WHILE.	DBL	CLD	!CLEAR DECIMAL	LDA XTBL,X	!GET PROPER
HALT	INX	!SOME TIME.			STA AUDC3	!CHANNEL & STORE.	
	CPX RTCLOCK+1	!IS PAUSE DONE?			RTS	!ALL DONE...	
	BNE HALT	!NO. WAIT.					
	JMP TEST	!YES. RESTART.					
*BACTERION! DESTROYED OR OFF SCREEN?							
GAME1	LDA BEVE9C	!IS NUMBER OF					
	CMP #003	!ESCAPED VESSELS					
	BEQ GAMEE	!EQUAL TO THREE?					
	JMP SAVE0	!NO, GO BACK.					
GAMEE	JSR ADITUP	!ADD UP SCORES.					
	INC TYPES	!SET UP NEXT TYPE					
	LDA TYPES	!OF ATTACKING					
	CMP #007	!BACTERION.					
	BCC BAME2						
	LDA RANDOM	!SET RANDOM					
	AND #F0	!BACKGROUND					
	STA COLOR4	!COLOR.					
*	FLIP TO TITLE SCREEN						
	LDA #001	!STOP ALL SCREEN					
	STA VSTOP	!ACTION & FLIP					
	STA LISTPT	!TO TITLE SCREEN					
	JSR SHUTUP	!SOUNDS OFF.					
	LDA TOTCEL	!SAVE TOTAL #					
	PHA	!OF CELLS LEFT.					
	LDA #00A	!MAKE WEIRD					
	STA TOTCEL	!TITLE SOUND.					
	STA RTCLOCK+2	!PAUSE FOR A					
	LDX RTCLOCK+1	!WHILE.					
	INX						
:PAUSE	CPX RTCLOCK+1	!PAUSE TIME UP?					
	BNE :PAUSE	!NO. WAIT.					
	PLA	!RESTORE TOTAL #					
	STA TOTCEL	!OF CELLS LEFT.					
	LDA #000	!FLIP TO GAME					
	STA LISTPT	!SCREEN & BEGIN					
	STA VSTOP	!SCREEN ACTION.					
	STA CH						
	STA XSOUND						
	STA CSOUND						
	STA LSOUND						
* SPEED UP BACTERION! MOVE/TURN RATES							
FAST1	LDX #005	!UPDATE ALL.					
	LDA MOVEDB,X	!IS MOVE RATE AT					
	CMP #002	!LOWEST LEVEL?					
	BCC FAST2	!YES, CONTINUE.					
	DEC MOVEDB,X	!NO, DECREMENT.					
FAST2	LDA TURNDB,X	!IS TURN RATE AT					
	CMP #008	!LOWEST LEVEL?					
	BCC FAST3	!YES, CONTINUE.					
	DEC TURNDB,X	!NO, DECREMENT.					
	BCC #004						
FAST3	STA TURNDB,X	!UPDATE NEXT.					
	DEX						
	BPL FAST1						
GAME2	LDA #001	!MAKE ATTACKING					
	STA TYPES	!BACTERION! THE					
	STA TYPE+2	!SLOWEST TYPE					
	STA TYPE+3	!FOR BEGINNING					
	STA TYPE+4	!OF NEW WAVE.					
*	SET UP FOR NEXT ATTACK						
	JSR INIT2	!INITIALIZE...					
	JMP SAVE0	!BEGIN AGAIN.					
*	VERTICAL BLANK ROUTINE						
VBL	CLD	!CLEAR DECIMAL					
	LDA LISTPT	!RESEED					
	ASL A	!DISPLAY LIST					
	TAX	!VECTORS ACC-					
	LDA :LSTDB+0,X	!ORDING TO					
	STA SDSLST+0	!LISTPT					
	LDA :LSTDB+1,X	!VARIABLE.					
	STA SDSLST+1	!DO THE SAME					
	LDA :DLIDB+0,X	!THING FOR					
	STA VDSLST+0	!DLI VECTORS.					
	LDA :DLIDB+1,X						
	STA VDSLST+1						

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      INY      I
      LDA BEVDDES,X ; DESIRED DIRECTION.
      CMP BEVDIR,X ; ACTUAL DIRECTION.
      BEQ PL4      ; IF = QUIT!
      BCS TURN85   ; ACT. > DES.
      JSR SUBDIR   ; SUB. THE TWO.
      CMP #08      ; IS DIFF. > 8?
      BCS TURN86   ; YES! BR. H!
      TYA          ; INVERT AMOUNT
      EOR #0FF     ; OF TURN (MAKE
      TAY          ; IT NEGATIVE)
      INY          ;
      BMI TURN86   ; BRANCH!
      JSR SUBDIR   ; SUB. THE TWO.
      CMP #08      ; IF DIFF. > 8?
      BEQ TURN86   ; DIFF = 8!
      BCS TURN86   ; DIFF > 8!
      TYA          ; ADD AMOUNT OF
      CLC          ; TURN TO BAC-
      ADC BEVDIR,X ; TERION'S DIR-
      JSR WRAP     ; ECTION & SAVE.
      STA BEVDIR,X ;

PL4      DEX      ; TURN NEXT
      CPX #001     ; BACTERION!
      BNE TURN8    ; IF ANY.
      RTS          ; BOOGIE OUTTA HERE!

TURN8    LDA BEVDDES,X ; DESIRED
      SEC          ; SUBTRACTED FROM
      SBC BEVDIR,X ; ACTUAL
      JMP ABS      ; ABSOLUTE VALUE.

*        MOVE ENEMY BACTERION!
MOVE      LDX #004   ; HANDLE ALL.
MOVE0     DEC MOVET,X ; TIME TO MOVE?
          BPL MOVENX  ; NO! LATER!
          LDY TYPES   ; RESTORE MOVE
          LDA MOVEDB-1,Y ; TIMER.
          LDY BEVCEL,X ; CELL IN TOW?
          BPL MOVE1   ; NO! MOVEFAST!
          ASL A       ; YES! MOVE 4
          ASL A       ; TIMES AS SLOW!
MOVE1     STA MOVET,X ; SAVE MOVE
          JSR MOVSUB  ; TIMER & MOVE!
MOVEX     DEX        ; HANDLE NEXT
          CPX #001    ; BACTERION!
          BNE MOVE0   ; IF ANY.
          RTS         ; OUTTA HERE!

*        TRACK HEISTED CELLS
TRACK      LDX #004   ; HANDLE ALL.
TRK0      LDA STOP,X ; VESSEL ON ICE?
          BNE TRK1    ; YES! BYPASS!
          LDA BEVCEL,X ; CELL IN TOW?
          BPL TRKTRK  ; NO! QUIT!
          LDA BEVY,X  ; IS VESSEL ALL
          CMP #15     ; THE WAY OFF-
          BCC OFFSCR  ; SCREEN?
          CMP #235    ;
          BCC TRKTRK  ; NO! QUIT!

*        SUCCESSFUL HEISTING OF A CELL
OFFSCR     INC BEVESEC ; INC. ESCAPEES
          DEC TOTCEL  ; DEC. # OF CELLS
          LDA #001    ; HALT THIS
          STA STOP,X  ; BACTERION.
          BNE TRK1    ; BRANCH!

TRKTRK     LDA ATTACK,X ; ATTACKING?
          BNE TRK1    ; YES! SKIP!
          LDA BEVDDES,X ; AT TARGET?
          BPL TRK1    ; YES! SKIP!
          LDA ESCAPE,X ; ATTACKING PLR?
          BEQ TRK1    ; YES! BRANCH!
          STA TARY,X  ; NO! SET Y-TARGET
          JSR PICKX   ; PICK RANDOM X-TARGET.
          STA TARX,X  ; SAVE IT.
          JSR PICKDR  ; GET A DIRECTION
          LDA BEVCEL,X ; GIVE CELL A
          ORA #08     ; HEISTED STATUS.
          STA BEVCEL,X ;

TRK1       DEX        ; HANDLE NEXT
          CPX #001    ; BACTERION!
          BNE TRK0   ; IF ANY.
          RTS         ; GET LOST LOSER!

*        ACCUMULATOR ABSOLUTE VALUE FUNCTION
ABS        BPL RABS
          EOR #0FF
          CLC
          ADC #001
          RTS

RABS       *        DIRECTIONAL WRAP AROUND
WRAP       BPL PWRAP ; DIRECTION > 0?
          CLC        ; NO! ADD 16 TO IT.
          ADC #16
          RTS        ; GET LOST LOSER!
PWRAP      CMP #16   ; DIRECTION < 16?
          BCC WRTS   ; NO! SUBTRACT 16
          SEC        ; FROM IT.
          SBC #16
          RTS        ; GET LOST LOSER!

WRTS       *        GENERAL MOVEMENT ANALYSIS
MOVSUB     LDA STOP,X ; COMATOSE?
          BNE MOV1   ; YES! QUIT!
          LDA BEVDDES,X ; TARGET REACHED?
          BMI MOV1   ; YES! QUIT!
          LDY BEVDIR,X ; GET DIRECTION.
          LDA DELX,Y  ; ADD X-COORD ADD
          STA :ADDX   ; ON FOR GIVEN
          CLC         ; DIRECTION.
          ADC BEVX,X  ;
          STA BEVX,X  ; SAVE IT.
          LDA DELY,Y  ; ADD Y-COORD ADD
          STA :ADDY   ; ON FOR GIVEN
          CLC         ; DIRECTION.
          ADC BEVY,X  ;
          STA BEVY,X  ; SAVE IT.
          LDA BEVCEL,X ; CELL IN TOW?
          BPL MOV1   ; NO! QUIT!
          AND #07F    ; YES!
          TAY
          LDA :ADDX   ; ADD X-COORD ADD
          CLC         ; ON FOR GIVEN
          ADC CELLNX,Y ; DIRECTION TO
          STA CELLNX,Y ; CELL'S X-COORD.

      LDA :ADDY   ; ADD Y-COORD ADD
          CLC         ; ON FOR GIVEN
          ADC CELLNY,Y ; DIRECTION TO
          STA CELLNY,Y ; CELL'S Y-COORD.
          STA CELLMV,Y ; STATUS SET.
          RTS        ; SEE YA LATER...

MOV1       *        VAPORIZE PLAYERS WITH DEADLY LASERS
LASERS     DEC BEVFRE,X ; FIRE TIMER = 0?
          BPL XITL9R  ; NO! QUIT!
          LDA FIRETH  ; RESTORE FIRE
          STA BEVFRE,X ; TIMER.
          LDA LSRDIR,X ; ALREADY FIRING?
          BNE XITL9R  ; YES! QUIT!
          LDA BEVDDES,X ; SAVE DESIRED
          PHA         ; DIRECTION.
          JSR STRAT3  ; GET LASER DIRECTION.
          TAY         ; PUT IN Y-REG.
          PLA         ; RESTORE DESIRED
          STA BEVDDES,X ; DIRECTION.
          CPY #0FF    ; LASER AT TARGET?
          BEQ XITL9R  ; YES! QUIT!
          LDA LSRBSE,Y ; FINE TUNE LASER
          STA LSRDIR,X ; DIRECTION.
          LDA #00A    ; LASER BOLT
          STA LSRIME,X ; LIFETIME.
          LDA #14     ; SET UP LASER
          STA LROUND  ; SOUND.
          RTS         ; JUMP IN A LAKE!

XITL9R     *        LASER DIRECTIONAL FINE TUNING
LSRBSE     DB 1,8,8,8,4,6,6,6,2
          DB 7,7,7,3,5,5,5,5
          :TARX      DB 0 ; X-COORD TARGET
          DB 0 ; Y-COORD TARGET
          :ADDX      DB 0 ; X-COORD ADD ON
          :ADDY      DB 0 ; Y-COORD ADD ON
          :DELTA     DB 0 ; TAR. Y - ACT. Y

*        X-COORD DIRECTIONAL ADD ONs
DELX       DB +0,-1,-2,-2,-2,-2,-2,-1
          DB +0,+1,+2,+2,+2,+2,+2,+1
          *        Y-COORD DIRECTIONAL ADD ONs
DELY       DB -2,-2,-2,-1,+0,+1,+2,+2
          DB +2,+2,+2,+1,+0,-1,-2,-2
          *        TURN DATABASE
TURNDB     DB 0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
          *        MOVEMENT DATABASE
MOVEDB     DB 0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0

      TITLE 'BACTERION! PM DRAW ROUTINE'
DRAW       PROC
          LDA #004   ; HANDLE ALL.
          STA COUNT  ; VESSELS (0-4)
          LDY COUNT  ; VESSEL #.
          LDY TYPE,X  ; TYPE (0-7).
          LDA PHASE,X ; SHAPE PHASE.
          CMP INDEX+1,Y ; PHASE EXCEE-
          BCC DRAW3   ; DEED?
          LDA INDEX,Y ; YES! CORRECT
          STA PHASE,X ; PHASE.
          CMP INDEX,Y ; PHASE EXCEE-
          BCC DRAW2   ; DEED?
          ASL A       ; NO! GET OFF-
          TAY        ; SET TO DATA
          LDA OFFSET,Y ; FOR THIS
          STA DRWLO  ; PHASE.
          LDA DRWLO  ;
          STA DRWLO+1,Y ;
          LDA COUNT  ; FIND WHERE TO
          ASL A       ; PLACE PHASE
          TAY        ; DATA. (DEF-
          LDA PLBSE,Y ; ENDS ON WHICH
          STA PLL0   ; VESSEL # WE
          LDA PLBSE+1,Y ; ARE DRAWING).
          STA PLL0+1 ;
          LDA #007   ; PREPARE TO
          STA PTR1   ; READ 8 BYTES.
          CLC        ; FIND OUT
          ADC BEVY,X ; WHERE TO PUT
          STA PTR2   ; DATA.
          LDY PTR1   ; GET PHASE
          LDA (DRWLO),Y ; DATA.
          LDY PTR2   ; PUT INTO PM
          STA (PLL0),Y ; LOCATIONS.
          DEC PTR2   ; RESET
          DEC PTR1   ; POINTERS.
          BPL DRAW4  ; ALL DONE?
          LDA #007   ; YES! SET UP
          STA COUNT2 ; FOR 8 BYTES.
          LDY COUNT  ; BEGIN ERASING
          LDA BEVY,X ; DATA AT
          LDY COUNT2 ; 1% BOTTOM OF
          CLC        ; VESSEL. THIS
          ADC ERADD,X ; ACCOUNTS FOR
          TAY        ; WHEN A VESSEL
          LDA #000   ; MOVES VERTI-
          STA (PLL0),Y ; CALLY AS WE
          DEC COUNT2 ; MUST PRE-
          BPL DRAW5  ; EVENT DATA
          DEC COUNT  ; OVERLAP.
          BPL DRAW1   ; YEAH SO WHAT!

DRAW4      DEC PHTIME ; DEC PHASE TIMER.
          BPL DRAW7  ; QUIT IF NOT 0.
          LDA #004   ; RESET PHASE TIMER
          STA PHTIME ; & STORE.

PHS4       TAX        ; HANDLE ALL (0-4)
          CPX #002   ; A BACTERION?
          BCS PHS5   ; YES! SKIP IT!
          LDA TYPE,X ; IS IT EXPLODING?
          CMP #07F   ;
          BNE PHS7   ; NO! SKIP IT!
          LDA PHASE,X ;
          CMP #47    ; (INDEX+8)-1
          BEQ PHS7   ;
          INC PHASE,X ; INC VESSEL PHASE
          CMP #46    ; (INDEX+8)-2
          BNE PHS7   ;
          CPX #002   ; IS VESSEL A
          BCC PHS7   ; PLAYER?

DRAW5      DEC PHTIME ; DEC PHASE TIMER.
          BPL DRAW7  ; QUIT IF NOT 0.
          LDA #004   ; RESET PHASE TIMER
          STA PHTIME ; & STORE.

PHS5       TAX        ; HANDLE ALL (0-4)
          CPX #002   ; A BACTERION?
          BCS PHS7   ; YES! SKIP IT!
          LDA TYPE,X ; IS IT EXPLODING?
          CMP #07F   ;
          BNE PHS7   ; NO! SKIP IT!
          LDA PHASE,X ;
          CMP #47    ; (INDEX+8)-1
          BEQ PHS7   ;
          INC PHASE,X ; INC VESSEL PHASE
          CMP #46    ; (INDEX+8)-2
          BNE PHS7   ;
          CPX #002   ; IS VESSEL A
          BCC PHS7   ; PLAYER?

DRAW6      DEC PHTIME ; DEC PHASE TIMER.
          BPL DRAW7  ; QUIT IF NOT 0.
          LDA #004   ; RESET PHASE TIMER
          STA PHTIME ; & STORE.

PHS7       TAX        ; HANDLE ALL (0-4)
          CPX #002   ; A BACTERION?
          BCS PHS5   ; YES! SKIP IT!
          LDA TYPE,X ; IS IT EXPLODING?
          CMP #07F   ;
          BNE PHS7   ; NO! SKIP IT!
          LDA PHASE,X ;
          CMP #47    ; (INDEX+8)-1
          BEQ PHS7   ;
          INC PHASE,X ; INC VESSEL PHASE
          CMP #46    ; (INDEX+8)-2
          BNE PHS7   ;
          CPX #002   ; IS VESSEL A
          BCC PHS7   ; PLAYER?

      PHS7       INC BEVESEC ; NO! INC # OF ESCAPEES
          DEX        ; MOVE ON TO
          BPL PHS4   ; NEXT...

DRAW7      RTS ; TIME TO BOOGIE...

COUNT     DB 0 ; BYTE DRAW COUNT
COUNT2    DB 0 ; BYTE DRAW COUNT
PTR1       DB 0 ; POINTER TO PHASE DATA
PTR2       DB 0 ; POINTER TO PH AREA
PHTIME     DB 3 ; VESSEL PHASE TIMER

*        TOP/BOTTOM ERASURE OFFSETS
ERADD      DB -4,-3,-2,-1,+8,+9,+10,+11
          *        INDEX TO VESSEL PHASE DATA
INDEX      DB 0,16,20,24,28,31,35,39,48
          *        LO/HI BYTES TO PM AREA
PLBSE      DW PLAY0
          DW PLAY1
          DW PLAY2
          DW PLAY3
          DW MISS

          *        OFFSET TO VESSEL PHASE DATA
OFFSET     DW :ROT00 ; 0
          DW :ROT01 ; 16
          DW :ROT02 ; 32
          DW :ROT03 ; 48
          DW :ROT04 ; 64
          DW :ROT05 ; 80
          DW :ROT06 ; 96
          DW :ROT07 ; 112
          DW :ROT08 ; 128
          DW :ROT09 ; 144
          DW :ROT10 ; 160
          DW :ROT11 ; 176
          DW :ROT12 ; 192
          DW :ROT13 ; 208
          DW :ROT14 ; 224
          DW :ROT15 ; 240

          DW :BEV10 ; 16
          DW :BEV11 ; 32
          DW :BEV12 ; 48
          DW :BEV13 ; 64
          DW :BEV14 ; 80
          DW :BEV15 ; 96
          DW :BEV20 ; 128
          DW :BEV21 ; 144
          DW :BEV22 ; 160
          DW :BEV23 ; 176
          DW :BEV24 ; 192
          DW :BEV25 ; 208
          DW :BEV26 ; 224
          DW :BEV27 ; 240
          DW :BEV30 ; 288
          DW :BEV31 ; 304
          DW :BEV32 ; 320
          DW :BEV33 ; 336
          DW :BEV40 ; 384
          DW :BEV41 ; 400
          DW :BEV42 ; 416
          DW :BEV50 ; 464
          DW :BEV51 ; 480
          DW :BEV52 ; 496
          DW :BEV53 ; 512

          DW :BEV60 ; 560
          DW :BEV61 ; 576
          DW :BEV62 ; 592
          DW :BEV63 ; 608
          DW :EXP0 ; 640
          DW :EXP1 ; 656
          DW :EXP2 ; 672
          DW :EXP3 ; 688
          DW :EXP4 ; 704
          DW :EXP5 ; 720
          DW :EXP6 ; 736
          DW :EXP7 ; 752
          DW :EXP8 ; 768

          *        TANK ROTATION 0
          :ROT00    DB #10,#10,#10,#38
          DB #54,#82,#44,#44
          *        TANK ROTATION 1
          :ROT01    DB #20,#20,#10,#1E
          DB #19,#21,#20,#10
          *        TANK ROTATION 2
          :ROT02    DB #00,#40,#20,#1F
          DB #19,#10,#10,#18
          *        TANK ROTATION 3
          :ROT03    DB #00,#00,#C6,#39
          DB #18,#10,#10,#0C
          *        TANK ROTATION 4
          :ROT04    DB #04,#0B,#10,#F0
          DB #10,#0B,#04,#00
          *        TANK ROTATION 5
          :ROT05    DB #0C,#10,#10,#18
          DB #39,#C6,#00,#00
          *        TANK ROTATION 6
          :ROT06    DB #18,#10,#10,#19
          DB #1F,#20,#40,#80
          *        TANK ROTATION 7
          :ROT07    DB #10,#20,#21,#19
          DB #1E,#10,#20,#20
          *        TANK ROTATION 8
          :ROT08    DB #44,#44,#82,#44
          DB #38,#10,#10,#10
          *        TANK ROTATION 9
          :ROT09    DB #08,#04,#84,#98
          DB #78,#08,#04,#04

          *        TANK ROTATION 10
          :ROT10    DB #08,#04,#84,#98
          DB #78,#08,#04,#04

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:ROT10 DB $18,$08,$08,$78
DB $F8,$04,$02,$01
* TANK ROTATION 11
:ROT11 DB $30,$08,$08,$18
DB $9C,$63,$00,$00
* TANK ROTATION 12
:ROT12 DB $20,$D0,$08,$0F
DB $08,$D0,$20,$00
* TANK ROTATION 13
:ROT13 DB $00,$00,$63,$1C
DB $18,$08,$08,$30
* TANK ROTATION 14
:ROT14 DB $01,$02,$04,$F8
DB $98,$08,$08,$18
* TANK ROTATION 15
:ROT15 DB $04,$04,$08,$78
DB $98,$84,$04,$08
* BACTERION! #1
:GEV10 DB $18,$00,$24,$81
DB $81,$24,$00,$18
:GEV11 DB $18,$42,$24,$81
DB $81,$24,$42,$18
:GEV12 DB $99,$42,$24,$81
DB $81,$24,$42,$99
* BACTERION! #2
:GEV20 DB $00,$00,$3C,$24
DB $24,$3C,$00,$00
:GEV21 DB $00,$66,$42,$18
DB $18,$42,$66,$00
:GEV22 DB $C3,$81,$00,$18
DB $18,$00,$00,$C3
* BACTERION! #3
:GEV30 DB $3C,$42,$A5,$81
DB $81,$A5,$42,$3C
:GEV31 DB $00,$18,$24,$42
DB $42,$24,$18,$00
:GEV32 DB $00,$00,$18,$3C
DB $3C,$18,$00,$00
* BACTERION! #4
:GEV40 DB $00,$00,$18,$24
DB $24,$18,$00,$00
:GEV41 DB $00,$18,$00,$5A
DB $5A,$00,$18,$00
:GEV42 DB $18,$00,$18,$A5
DB $A5,$18,$00,$18
* BACTERION! #5
:GEV50 DB $20,$20,$E4,$18
DB $18,$27,$04,$04
:GEV51 DB $00,$24,$66,$18
DB $18,$66,$24,$00
:GEV52 DB $04,$04,$27,$18
DB $18,$E4,$20,$20
* BACTERION! #6
:GEV60 DB $0C,$40,$90,$25
DB $25,$88,$40,$0C
:GEV61 DB $18,$00,$99,$A1
DB $04,$18,$42,$24
:GEV62 DB $30,$02,$19,$84
DB $A0,$19,$02,$30
:GEV63 DB $24,$42,$08,$24
DB $A5,$91,$00,$18
* DETONATION
:EXP0 DB $00,$00,$00,$18
DB $18,$00,$00,$00
:EXP1 DB $00,$00,$08,$38
DB $1C,$10,$00,$00
:EXP2 DB $00,$08,$08,$78
DB $1E,$10,$10,$00
:EXP3 DB $08,$08,$2C,$E0
DB $07,$34,$10,$10
:EXP4 DB $08,$4A,$24,$C0
DB $03,$24,$52,$10
:EXP5 DB $89,$42,$24,$80
DB $01,$24,$42,$91
:EXP6 DB $81,$42,$00,$00
DB $00,$00,$42,$81
:EXP7 DB $81,$00,$00,$00
DB $00,$00,$00,$81
:EXP8 DB $00,$00,$00,$00
DB $00,$00,$00,$00
*TYPE - TYPE OF TANK BEING DRAWN
* 0 - PLAYERS # 1 & 2
* 1-6 - GEVS 1,2,3,4,5,6
* 7 - DETONATION SEQUENCE
*PHASE - PHASE # OF BACTERION!#
* 0-15 - PLAYERS # 1 & 2
* 16-19 - BACTERION! # 1
* 20-23 - BACTERION! # 2
* 24-27 - BACTERION! # 3
* 28-30 - BACTERION! # 4
* 31-34 - BACTERION! # 5
* 35-38 - BACTERION! # 6
* 39-48 - EXPLOSION SEQUENCE

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TITLE 'BACTERION TITLE SCREEN'

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PROC
* BACTERION!
TITLE DB $00,$00,$00,$00
DB $98,$07,$09,$116,$101
DB $114,$05,$111,$110,$065
DB $00,$00,$00,$00
* THE PLAQUE OF 2369
TITLE2 DB $00,$180,$168,$165,$00,$176,$172
DB $161,$167,$181,$165,$00,$175,$166
DB $00,$210,$211,$214,$217,$00
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TEAM1 DB $00,$00,$00,$00
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DB $00,$00,$00,$00
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DB $00,$00,$00,$00
PLAYR2 DB $00,$00,$00,$00
DB $00,$00,$00,$00
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* BY
NAME1 DB $00,$00,$00,$00,$00,$00
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DB $00,$00,$00,$00,$00,$00
* KYLE PEACOCK
NAME2 DB $00,$00,$00,$00
DB $235,$249,$236,$229,$000,$240
DB $229,$225,$227,$239,$227,$235
DB $00,$00,$00,$00,$00,$00
* WITH
NAME3 DB $00,$00,$00,$00,$00,$00
DB $55,$41,$52,$40,$00,$00
DB $00,$00,$00,$00,$00,$00
* TOM HUDSON
NAME4 DB $00,$00,$00,$00,$00,$00
DB $244,$239,$237,$000,$232
DB $245,$228,$243,$239,$238
DB $00,$00,$00,$00,$00,$00
* ANALOG COMPUTING
NAME5 DB $00,$00,$A1,$A6,$A1
DB $A0,$A0,$A7,$00,$A3
DB $A0,$A0,$AD,$00,$B5,$B4
DB $A7,$A6,$A7,$00,$00,$00

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TITLE 'JOYSTICK READING'

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STICKS PROC
LDX NOPLAY ;# OF PLAYERS
ACT4 LDA STOP,X ;IS PLAYER DEAD?
BEQ ACT5 ;NO, CONTINUE.
DEC STOP,X ;DEC. DEATH TIME
BNE NXTACT ;& CONTINUE.
JSR SETPLR ;IF DEATH TIME=0
JMP NXTACT ;REINCARNATE.
ACT5 JSR MOVPLR ;MOVE PLAYER
DEC TURNIT,X ;DEC. TURN TIME
BPL NXTACT ;IF < 0 CONT.
LDA $003 ;RESET TURN
STA TURNIT,X ;TIME & STORE.
LDY STICK0,X ;READ JOYSTICK.
LDA BEVDIR,X ;UPDATE DIRECT-
CLC ;ION ACCORDING
ADC DRHASH,Y ;TO JOYSTICK.
JSR WRAP ;TEST FOR WRAP
STA BEVDIR,X ;AROUND &
STA PHASE,X ;SAVE.
NXTACT DEX ;HANDLE NEXT
BPL ACT4 ;PLAYER.
RTS ;ALL DONE...
* GENERAL MOVEMENT ROUTINE
MOVPLR DEC SPEED,X ;TIME TO MOVE?
BPL RTSMOV ;NO, CONTINUE.
LDA STICK0,X ;YES-READ STICK.
CMP #14 ;FORWARD MOTION.
BEQ :MOV4 ;
CMP #10 ;FORWARD MOTION.
BEQ :MOV4 ;
CMP #06 ;FORWARD MOTION.
BNE :MOV5 ;
:MOV4 DEC CSPEED,X ;DEC. MOTION
JMP :MOV6 ;TIMER.
:MOV5 INC CSPEED,X ;INC. MOTION
LDY CSPEED,X ;TIMER.
LDA REHASH,Y ;DETECT OVERFLOW
STA CSPEED,X ;& CORRECT (IF
STA SPEED,X ;ANY.) THEN SAVE
LDA SPEED,X ;MOTION TIMER.
CMP DRHASH-1 ;
BEQ RTSMOV ;
MOV5 MOV5B ;MOVE TO CORRECT
RTS ;ALL DONE...
TURNIT DB $0,0 ;PLAYERS' TURN TIMER.
* SPEED LIMITATION DATABASE
REHASH DB 2,2,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,8,8

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* JOYSTICK/DIRECTION ADD ONS

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DRHASH DB $0,$0,$0,$0,-1,-1,-1
DB $0,$1,$1,$1,0,0,0,0

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TITLE 'COLLISION DETECTION'

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COLLIDE PROC
* SHIP COLLISION
COL5 LDX NOPLAY ;# OF PLAYERS
LDA STOP,X ;IS THIS PLR ICED?
BNE COLXX ;YES! MOVE ALONG.
LDA $001 ;NO! CHECK FOR
STA IDIE ;COLLISION...
LDA P0PL,X ;
AND $002 ;PLR/PLR
BEQ COL7 ;NO COLLISION.
JSR KILLME ;SMASH! BANG!
INC IDIE ;CHECK FOR ANOTHER
LDA P0PL,X ;COLLISION.
AND $004 ;PLR/BACTERION 1
BEQ COL8 ;NO COLLISION.
JSR KILLME ;OUCH! CRASH!
INC IDIE ;CHECK FOR ANOTHER
LDA P0PL,X ;PLR/BACTERION 2
AND $005 ;
BEQ COL9 ;NO COLLISION.
JSR KILLME ;DING! DONG!
INC IDIE ;CHECK FOR ANOTHER
LDY $003 ;COLLISION
COL10 TXA ;W/MISSILES...
CLC ;
ADC $001 ;
AND M0PL,Y ;PLR/BACTERION 3
BEQ COL11 ;NO COLLISION...
JSR KILLME ;BING! ZAP!
DEY ;CONTINUE CHECKING
BPL COL10 ;
* PLAYERS TOUCHING PODS?
DEC PODTIME ;TIME TO CHECK?
BPL COL13 ;NO! GO AWAY!
LDA $003 ;RESET POD TIMER
STA PODTIME ;TO GO AGAIN.
LDA P0PF,X ;SMASHED INTO
AND $001 ;POD PLAYFIELD?
BEQ COL13 ;NO! GO AWAY!
AND $002 ;YES! ROTATE
JSR RANDO ;RANDOMLY.
LDY RANDOM ;ROTATE RIGHT
BPL COL12 ;OR LEFT?
EOR $0FF ;ROTATE RIGHT.
CLC ;(CLOCKWISE)
ADC $001 ;
CLC ;
ADC BEVDIR,X ;(COUNTERCLOCK)
JSR WRAP ;CHECK FOR WRAP
STA BEVDIR,X ;AROUND & SAVE
STA PHASE,X ;NEW ROTATION.
* PLAYER HIT BY LASER?
COL13 LDA P0PF,X ;HAS PLAYER
AND $002 ;COLLIDED WITH
BEQ COLXX ;LASER PLAYFIELD?
STX IDIE ;YES! YES! YES!
JSR KILLME ;VAPORIZE HIM!!!
DEX ;CHECK NEXT
BPL COL5 ;PLAYER...
COLXX STA HITCLR ;CLEAR COLLISIONS.
RTS ;GO TO DARK SIDE OF MOON.
* INSERT DEATH VALUE
KILLME STY YHOLD ;SAVE Y-REG.
LDY IDIE ;GET WHO DIES!
LDA STOP,Y ;ARE THEY AL-
BNE :KILLX ;READY DEAD?
TXA ;NO! PREPARE
TAY ;TO VAPORIZE!
JSR ZAPIT ;ASHES TO ASHES!
LDY IDIE ;VAPORIZE OTHER
JSR ZAPIT ;VESSEL AS WELL!
LDY NOKILL,X ;INC # OF KILLS!
LDY YHOLD ;RESTORE Y-REG.
RTS ;GET LOST!!!
* CHANGE TO DEATH STATUS
ZAPIT LDA STOP,Y ;IS THIS VESSEL
BNE ZAPRTS ;ALREADY ICED!
LDA $007 ;NO! START VESSEL
STA TYPE,Y ;DETONATION!!!
LDA $120 ;GIVE THEM A
STA STOP,Y ;DEATH STATUS.
LDA $000 ;TURN OFF BACTER-
STA LSOUND ;ION! LASER SOUND.
LDA $66 ;START UP DETONAT-
STA XSOUND ;ION SOUND.
RTS ;BEAT IT!
ZAPRTS PLA ;REATURE
PLA ;RETURN (PACK
LDY YHOLD ;YOUR BAGS AND
RTS ;HIT THE ROAD!)
IDIE DB $0 ;VESSEL # TO DIE.
YHOLD DB $0 ;Y-REG. STORAGE.
PODTIME DB $0 ;ROTATION TIMER.

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TITLE 'FIRE PLAYER PROJECTILES'

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SHOOT PROC
JSR FIRST ;DO THIS FIRST.
JMP SECOND ;DO THIS SECOND.
* INITIALIZE PROJECTILES
FIRST LDX NOPLAY ;# OF PLAYERS
SHOOT5 LDA STOP,X ;IS PLAYER ICED?
BNE XSHOOT ;YES! SKIP HIM!
LDA FDELAY,X ;OK TO FIRE?
BEQ SHOOT6 ;YES! CONTINUE.
DEC FDELAY,X ;NO! DEC THER.
JMP XSHOOT ;SKIP TO NEXT.
SHOOT6 LDA NOBULL,X ;ALL BULLETS
CMP $004 ;FIRED ALREADY?

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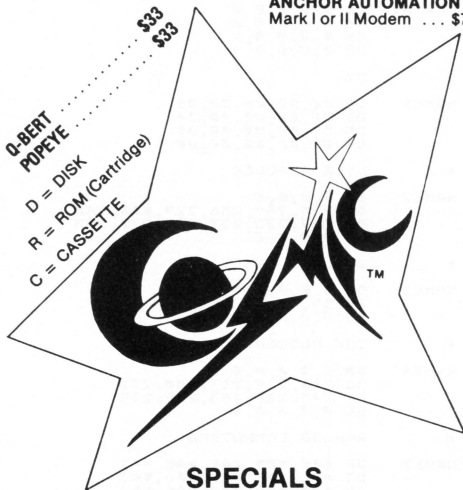
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PLOTOB  LDA      PLOTX      INCREMENT
        CLC              ITHE X
        ADC              ICOORDINATE
        STA      PLOTX      IAND SAVE
        LDA      PLOTY      INCREMENT
        CLC              ITHE Y
        ADC              ICOORDINATE
        STA      PLOTY      IAND SAVE
        LDA      SHAFACT      IFIRST LINE?
        CMP      #00B
        BEQ      NOPLT1
NOPLT1  LDA      LENGTH      I DON'T PLOT IT!
        BEQ      NOOBJ
        DEC      LENGTH      I PLOT POINT
        BNE      PLOTBT      I MORE LENGTH?
NOOBJ   LDA      SHAPIX      I VUP!
        DEC      SHAFACT      I NEXT LINE
        BNE      DOBLP      I DONE 8 LINES?
        BNE      DOBLP      I NOPE!
ENDOBJ  RTS              IFINIS!!!

*      SHAPE DATA

PXINC   DB      0,0,1,%FF,1,%FF,1,%FF
PYINC   DB      %FF,1,0,0,%FF,1,1,%FF

*      OBJECT SIDE LENGTHS

OBJLEN  DB      3,2,2,2,2,2,2,0
        DB      0,4,0,0,0,0,0,0
        DB      0,4,0,0,0,0,0,0
        DB      0,4,0,0,0,0,0,0
        DB      0,4,0,0,0,0,0,0
        DB      0,4,0,0,0,0,0,0
        DB      0,4,0,0,0,0,0,0
        DB      0,4,0,0,0,0,0,0
        DB      0,4,0,0,0,0,0,0
        DB      0,4,0,0,0,0,0,0

*      OBJECT SIDE DIRECTIONS

OBJDIR  DB      2,3,3,7,4,2,0,%FF
        DB      0,0,%FF,0,0,0,0,0
        DB      0,0,1,%FF,0,0,0,0
        DB      0,0,2,%FF,0,0,0,0
        DB      0,0,3,%FF,0,0,0,0
        DB      0,0,4,%FF,0,0,0,0
        DB      0,0,5,%FF,0,0,0,0
        DB      0,0,6,%FF,0,0,0,0
        DB      0,0,7,%FF,0,0,0,0

:COLRS  DB      %00,%55,%AA,%FF
:BMSK1  DB      %B5K1,%CF,%F3,%FC
:BMSK2  DB      %C0,%30,%0C,%03
:COLR1  DB      %40,%10,%04,%01

LOTBL   DB      192
HITBL   DB      192
END 12800

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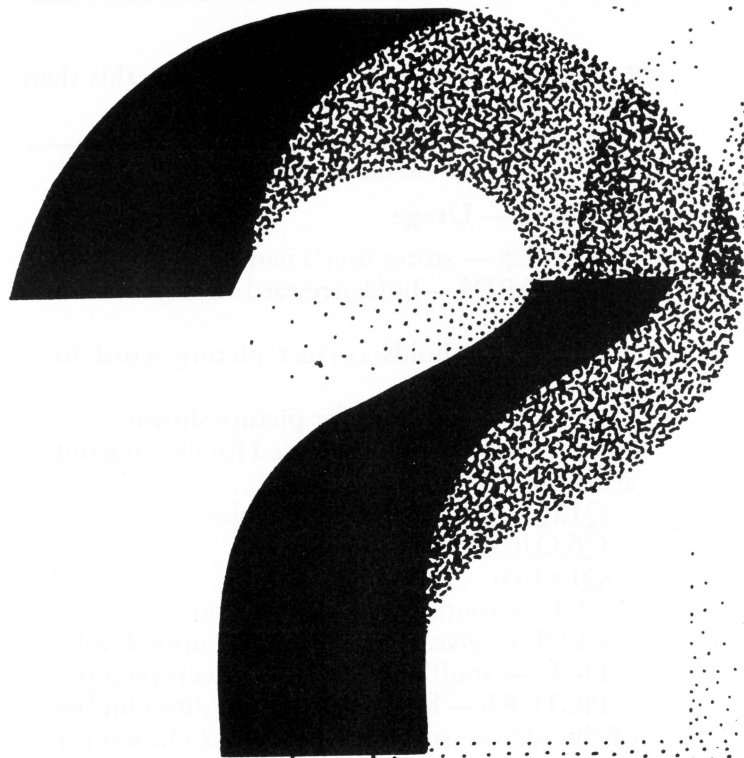
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What Is It?

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*An educational activity
for children aged 5 through 10*

by Larry W. Linson

What Is It? is an activity that I began writing for my first grade class, in the fall of 1982. It's a reading/spelling activity in which you are asked to identify a series of seven random pictures. The program is similar to the reading workbooks children use in the primary grades. The child simply needs to type in the picture-word that corresponds with the picture. For example, if a picture of a HOUSE appears, then the word "HOUSE" should be typed in. In **What Is It?** there are four levels of difficulty. Level 1 offers a single clue, the name of the picture. Level 2 gives the picture word and two distracting clues which are not similar to the picture word. Level 3 gives the picture word and three other similar distractors such as HOUSE, HORSE, MOUSE and HOWLS. Level 4 gives no hints at all; the word must be typed in from the child's memory. The program keeps score and reports it after each correct answer. The program keeps score and reports it after each correct answer. I've now had close to fifty children test this program, and most of the "bugs" have been worked out, with many new features added to the original program.

Error trapping.

Children working on Atari computers have the most trouble with accidentally pressing the BREAK key when they want the BACK SPACE key, which is right "next door." I avoided this problem by OPENing the keyboard, rather than using the INPUT command. By using this technique, if a mistake is made and BACK SPACE is pressed, then the program clears the student's response and waits for another. An undesired response can be cleared at any time by pressing either the SPACE BAR or the BACK SPACE key.

The BREAK key was disabled to prevent the program from being stopped prematurely. This was accomplished by using POKE 16,64 and POKE 53774,64. I used a short subroutine at Line 13000 for this, since the POKE must be repeated after each graphics mode change. I also used various TRAP statements for "catching" errors. In this way, the program doesn't halt if an error is detected. The children in my classes have been rather *inventive* in finding ways to "break" or "crash" programs. To date, **What Is It?** hasn't been crashed by any of my

first graders. I didn't protect against SYSTEM RESET. This key is not pressed accidentally very often (except during games!). I also felt it might be advantageous to be able to stop the program if desired.

Memory-saving tricks.

In the program, I have used various methods to save memory (RAM). One of these is to substitute variables for commonly employed numbers. For example, in the program, I have used the numeric variable Q1 to equal 1, and Q1+Q1 to equal 2, and so on. Atari BASIC uses up seven bytes every time a number is entered. By substituting a numeric variable, such as Q1, only one byte of memory is needed. This may initially make the program seem a little difficult to decipher, but just read "Q1" as "1" and you won't have any problem. I used this same technique to label POKE locations and subroutines. The command GOTO PICK sends the program to the picture shuffling routine. POKE OFF,Q1 is used to turn off the cursor. The number held by OFF is 752. POKEing 752 with a 1 (entered as POKE 752,1) tells the cursor to disappear.

Another way of saving RAM was to utilize many statements on the same line, employing the same numeric variables over and over. In this way, **What Is It?** will run on a 16K 400 or 600XL. Any more RAM-saving stunts, and the program would have been virtually unreadable and much more frustrating to type in!

Program flow.

The program is set up rather logically—to my way of thinking, anyway! **What Is It?** begins with a title page and then asks for your name. You select the level you wish to try, and a series of seven random pictures follows. Having only eleven pictures in the program's library may not seem like very many, but I believe that my students enjoy the familiarity and reinforcement they achieve with this library of pictures. Since each picture is picked at random, and the program will not pick the same picture twice, there are over one and one-half million different combinations of the eleven pictures! Check it yourself—try this on your Atari: PRINT (11*10*9*8*7*6*5). The results are staggering, aren't they?

After each picture word is correctly answered, a short reward sequence is initiated. After the seventh picture, an overall score is given, and you are asked if you would like to try again. Many of the techniques that I have used in **What Is It?** have been borrowed from other programmers. The idea of using numeric variables comes from Jerry White; the picture-shuffling routine in Lines 4000-4010 is from James Korenthal; and the practice of using DATA statements to READ numbers to PLOT and DRAWTO for graphics, I learned from Elaine Garringer. I have found that the best way to learn how to program is to type in programs, such as this one, RUN it and then study the code to see how the author achieved differ-

ent effects. I've learned more from doing this than from any book I have purchased! □

Variable table.

Variable — Usage

NAME\$ — stores user's name
 REWARD\$ — holds a reward message for end of program
 TEMP\$ — holds correct picture word to match to answer
 G\$ — user's answer for picture shown
 T\$ — large blank space used for clearing out area
 Q1,Q2,Q3 — numeric variables
 Q6,Q10,Q20
 Q1=1 etc.
 CUE — routine that asks question
 CLUE — gives clues depending upon level
 PICK — shuffle routine that selects picture
 PICTURE — holds the beginning line number of the picture subroutine that was chosen for display
 BRK — subroutine that blocks out BREAK key
 LWL — sends program to get the set of CLUES for the appropriate level
 PN & POOL — used in shuffle routine
 RA — # of Right Answers
 WA — # of Wrong Answers
 SPOT — used as a return point in setting up TRAP statement
 LV — the selected level
 HOU,STA,BOX,KIT,BOO,TV,TRU,FOOT,FAC,CON,LOL — used in subroutine that weeds out pictures already used, so the same picture is not shown twice
 COUNT — Keeps track of the number of pictures shown.
 OFF — stores POKE location 752, turns off cursor
 KOLOR — holds the RANDOM number used to POKE into locations 710 & 712, which control the background and text window colors.

The rest of the variables are used as simple counters, for delay statements or PLOT and DRAWTO routines.

Take-apart.

Lines 0-5 — Sends program to initialize variables at Line 15000.

Lines 6-19 — Displays title page and gets child's name.

Lines 20-35 — Child selects level of difficulty and program assigns variables for the appropriate level.

Lines 40-90 — The routine that draws the pictures and stores the correct answer for the

computer to compare to the child's response.

Line 95 — Sends program to the subroutine to display clues assigned to that level, and then on to the input routine.

Lines 100-1110 — DATA for the eleven pictures.

Lines 1500-1512 — The answer INPUT routine.

Lines 1950-1960 — Reward sequence.

Line 1962 — Selects random number for background color and text window.

Line 1963 — Sends program to randomly select a new picture.

Lines 2000-2005 — Incorrect answer sequence, sends program back for clues so child can enter the correct answer.

Lines 4000-4030 — Sequence to randomly select a picture and check to see if picture has already been used, if so program goes back to select another.

Lines 4060-4079 — Ending sequence — based on performance, selects an overall rating and asks if child would like to try again.

Lines 5000-5100 — Clues for Level 1.

Lines 6000-6100 — Clues for Level 2.

Lines 7000-7100 — Clues for Level 3.

Line 8000 — Level 4 offers no clues, so program is returned to answer input routine.

Line 13000 — Routine to POKE out BREAK key, which must be done after each graphics mode change.

Line 13500 — TRAPS keyboard errors and returns program to the proper SPOT.

Line 14000 — Sets graphics mode and screen color for pictures, turns off cursor.

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0 REM WHAT IS IT? LW.LINSON
5 GOSUB 15000:GRAPHICS Q2:GOSUB BRK:PO
KE 710,48:POKE 712,48:POKE 708,26:RA=Q
0:WA=Q0:POKE OFF,Q1
6 FOR D=Q2 TO 16 STEP Q2:POSITION D,Q0
: ? #Q6;"":POSITION D,Q2: ? #Q6;"":M
EXT D
7 POSITION Q2,Q1: ? #Q6;" WHAT IS IT?
"
9 POSITION Q5,Q6: ? #Q6;" C L L":POSI
TION Q2,Q9: ? #Q6;" ERASE NAME":SPO
T=17:TRAP QTRAP
11 FOR D=Q1 TO 1000:NEXT D:POSITION Q6
Q9: ? #Q6;T$:POSITION Q2,Q9: ? #Q6;"
"
12 POSITION Q3,Q4: ? #Q6;"what is":POSI
TION Q5,Q6: ? #Q6;" your name?"
13 POKE OFF,Q1: ? : ? : ? " [SPACE]
AR ] ERASES NAME"
14 POKE 755,Q2:POKE KEY,Q255:OPEN #Q1,
Q4,Q0,"K":POSITION Q7,Q9:FOR D=Q1 TO
12:POKE 702,64:POKE 694,Q0
15 GET #Q1,A:IF A=Q155 THEN 19
16 IF A<Q65 OR A>Q90 THEN A=Q32
17 IF A=Q32 OR A=Q126 THEN POSITION Q7
,Q9: ? #Q6;T$:CLOSE #Q1:NAME$="":TRAP Q
TRAP:GOTO 14
18 ? #Q6;CHR$(A);NAME$(LEN(NAME$)+Q1)
=CHR$(A):NEXT D
19 IF D>12 OR NAME$="" THEN A=Q32:GOTO
17
20 FOR D=Q1 TO Q52:NEXT D:POKE OFF,Q1:
CLOSE #Q1:GOSUB 16000
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27 TRAP Q29:CLOSE #Q1
28 POKE KEY,Q255:POKE OFF,Q1: ? : ? "Wha
t level, ";NAME$;"?";" 1 2 3 4"
29 POKE 702,64:POKE 694,Q0:CLOSE #1:GO
SUB BRK:OPEN #Q1,Q4,Q0,"K":GET #Q1,L:
#Q0=6
30 IF L=Q49 THEN L=Q0:LV=Q1:CLOSE #Q1:
GOTO PICK
31 IF L=50 THEN L=1000:LV=Q2:CLOSE #Q1
:GOTO PICK
32 IF L=51 THEN L=2000:LV=Q3:CLOSE #Q1
:GOTO PICK
33 IF L=Q52 THEN L=3000:LV=Q4:CLOSE #Q
1:GOTO PICK
34 IF L<Q49 OR L>Q52 THEN GOTO Q29
35 IF L<Q49 OR L>Q52 THEN GOTO Q29
40 GOSUB KOLOR
50 READ A,B,C,D,E,F,G
60 PLOT A,B:DRAWTO C,D:DRAWTO E,F:IF G
=-Q1 THEN TEMP$="HOUSE":G=Q0:HOU=99:GO
TO 110
61 IF G=-Q2 THEN G=Q10:TEMP$="STAR":ST
A=199:GOTO Q90
62 IF G=-Q3 THEN G=Q20:TEMP$="BOX":BOX
=299:GOTO Q90
63 IF G=-Q4 THEN G=30:TEMP$="KITE":KIT
=399:GOTO Q90
65 IF G=-Q5 THEN G=50:TEMP$="BOOK":BOO
=599:GOTO Q90
66 IF G=-Q6 THEN G=60:TEMP$="TV":TV=69
9:GOTO Q90
68 IF G=-Q7 THEN G=80:TEMP$="TRUCK":TR
U=899:GOTO 915
69 IF G=-Q8 THEN G=90:TEMP$="FOOTBALL"
:FOOT=999:GOTO 1020
70 IF G=-Q9 THEN G=100:TEMP$="FACE":FA
C=1099:GOTO Q90
80 GOTO 50
90 IF LV=Q4 THEN G=Q0
95 GOSUB CLUE+L+G:GOTO CUE
99 RESTORE 100:GOTO Q40
100 DATA 50,30,80,15,110,30,0,110,30,5
0,30,50,70,0,50,70,110,70,110,30,0,110
,30,130,20,130,60,0
101 DATA 130,60,110,70,110,70,0,105,5,
130,20,130,20,0,80,15,105,5,105,5,0
102 DATA 75,16,75,5,65,10,0,65,10,65,2
1,65,21,0,60,24,60,10,71,4,0,71,4,75,4
,75,4,0,65,10,60,10,60,10,0
103 DATA 75,55,75,70,85,70,0,85,70,85,
55,75,55,0,70,50,58,50,58,40,0,58,40,7
0,40,70,50,0,64,49,64,41,64,41,0
104 DATA 59,45,69,45,69,45,0,90,40,90,
50,102,50,0,102,50,102,40,90,40,0,91,4
5,101,45,101,45,0,96,41,96,49,96,49,-1
110 READ H,I,J,K,L1
115 PLOT H,I:PLOT J,K:IF L1=-Q1 THEN G
OTO Q90
116 GOTO 110
120 DATA 61,4,59,3,0,57,2,68,2,0,66,1,
66,4,0,64,3,62,2,0,55,1,52,1,0,60,1,58
,0,0,64,0,83,63,-1
199 RESTORE 200:GOTO Q40
200 DATA 83,8,106,66,50,32,1,50,32,116
,32,60,66,1,60,66,83,8,83,8,-2
299 RESTORE 300:GOTO Q40
300 DATA 100,20,80,10,60,20,0,60,20,80
,30,100,20,0,100,20,100,50,80,60,0
301 DATA 80,60,60,50,60,20,0,80,30,80,
60,80,60,-3
399 RESTORE 400:GOTO Q40
400 DATA 60,10,40,30,60,62,0,60,62,80,
30,60,10,0,60,62,64,70,73,73,0,73,73,7
7,65,85,68,0,85,68,90,66,95,70,0
401 DATA 95,70,103,65,103,65,0,60,11,6
0,61,60,61,0,41,30,78,30,78,30,-4
499 G=Q40:GOSUB KOLOR:FOR W=50 TO 102:
K=Q7:Y=76:Z=61
502 PLOT W,X:DRAWTO Y,Z:NEXT W:TEMP$="
COME":COM=499:POKE OFF,Q1:GOTO Q90
599 RESTORE 600:GOTO Q40
600 DATA 102,70,62,70,62,22,0,62,22,10
2,22,102,70,0,102,70,108,64,108,16,0,1
08,16,68,16,62,22,0
601 DATA 108,16,102,22,102,22,0,66,18,
106,18,106,66,0,64,20,104,20,104,68,0,
76,28,72,28,72,34,0
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602 DATA 74,32,72,32,72,32,0,80,34,80,
28,84,28,0,84,28,84,34,80,34,0,88,28,9
2,34,92,34,0,88,34,92,28,92,28,0
603 DATA 76,42,76,48,76,48,0,80,48,80,
42,84,48,0,84,48,84,42,0,68,56,6
4,56,68,62,0,68,62,64,62,64,62,0
604 DATA 72,62,72,56,76,56,0,76,56,76,
62,72,62,0,84,56,80,56,80,62,0,80,62,8
4,62,84,62,0,88,56,88,62,88,62,0
605 DATA 92,56,88,60,92,62,0,100,56,96
56,100,62,0,100,62,96,62,96,62,-5
699 RESTORE 700:GOTO 040
700 DATA 112,70,50,70,50,30,0,50,30,11
2,30,112,70,0,112,70,120,62,120,22,0,1
20,22,58,22,50,30,0
701 DATA 120,22,112,30,112,30,0,58,36,
58,66,102,66,0,102,66,102,36,58,36,0,8
8,24,84,24,84,26,0,84,26,88,26,88,24,0
702 DATA 88,24,102,6,102,6,0,84,24,72,
6,72,6,0,108,38,106,38,106,36,0,106,36
,108,36,108,38,0
704 DATA 108,44,106,44,106,42,0,106,42
,108,42,108,44,0,108,50,106,50,106,48,
0,106,48,108,48,108,50,-6
799 GOSUB KOLOR:RESTORE 804
802 READ A,B,C,D
803 PLOT A,B:DRAWTO C,D:IF D=0 THEN GO
TO 850
804 DATA 90,30,90,38,92,22,92,44,94,20
,94,48,96,18,96,50,98,14,98,52,100,14,
100,54,102,12,102,56
805 DATA 104,10,104,57,106,9,106,58,10
8,9,108,59,110,8,110,59,112,7,112,60,1
14,7,114,60,116,6,116,61
806 DATA 118,7,118,60,120,7,120,60,122
,8,122,59,124,9,124,59,126,9,126,58,12
8,10,128,57,130,12,130,56
807 DATA 132,14,132,54,134,14,134,52,1
36,18,136,50,138,20,138,48,140,22,140,
44,142,30,142,38,30,62,32,66
808 DATA 32,66,93,47,91,45,30,62,0,0,0
,0
849 IF D>Q1 THEN GOTO 802
850 G=70:TEMP$="LOLLIPOP":LOL=799:POKE
752,Q1:GOTO 090
899 RESTORE 900:GOTO 040
900 DATA 76,12,58,12,52,18,0,52,18,52,
58,76,58,0,76,58,76,32,76,12,0,76,32,5
2,32,52,32,0
901 DATA 81,33,81,13,77,9,0,77,9,57,9,
49,17,0,49,17,49,33,21,33,0,21,33,17,3
6,17,39,0,17,51,21,49,21,43,0
902 DATA 21,43,17,39,15,43,0,15,43,15,
47,17,51,0,17,51,17,59,23,65,0,23,65,3
1,65,31,55,0,31,55,36,52,44,52,0
903 DATA 44,52,47,55,47,65,0,47,65,101
,65,101,55,0,101,55,106,52,114,52,0,11
4,52,117,55,117,65,0
904 DATA 117,65,137,65,144,58,0,144,58
,144,36,141,33,0,141,33,81,33,81,33,0,
34,66,36,70,44,70,0
905 DATA 44,70,46,66,46,66,0,104,66,10
6,70,114,70,0,114,70,116,66,116,66,-7
915 X=55:Y=X:X1=X:Y1=X
916 PLOT 131,X:DRAWTO 147,Y:PLOT 14,X1
:DRAWTO 29,Y1:X1=X1+Q1:Y1=Y1+Q1:X=X+Q1
:Y=Y+Q1:IF Y1=62 THEN GOTO 940
919 GOTO 916
940 X=38:Y=X
941 PLOT 23,X:DRAWTO 140,Y:X=X+Q1:Y=X:
IF Y=41 THEN PLOT 24,43:DRAWTO 140,43:
GOTO 950
944 GOTO 941
950 X=58:Y=X:X1=X:Y1=Y
951 PLOT 38,X:DRAWTO 42,Y:PLOT 108,X1:
DRAWTO 112,Y1:X1=X1+Q1:Y1=X1:X=X1:Y=Y1
:IF Y1=62 THEN GOTO 090
955 GOTO 951
999 RESTORE 1000:GOTO 040
1000 DATA 20,40,24,46,30,54,0,30,54,40
,60,50,64,0,50,64,58,66,72,70,0,72,70,
88,70,102,66,0,102,66,110,64,120,60,0
1001 DATA 120,60,130,54,136,46,0,136,4
6,140,40,136,34,0,136,34,130,26,120,20
,0,120,20,110,16,102,14,0
1002 DATA 102,14,94,12,80,10,0,80,10,7
2,10,58,14,0,58,14,50,16,40,20,0,40,20
,30,26,24,34,0,24,34,20,40,20,40,0

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1003 DATA 40,60,50,61,50,61,0,40,60,50
,62,50,62,0,40,60,50,63,50,63,0,40,20,
50,19,50,19,0,40,20,50,18,50,18,0
1004 DATA 40,20,50,17,50,17,0,120,60,1
10,63,110,63,0,120,60,110,62,110,62,0,
120,60,110,61,110,61,0
1005 DATA 120,20,110,19,110,19,0,120,2
0,110,18,110,18,0,120,20,110,17,110,17
,-8
1020 X=34:Y=X
1022 PLOT 66,X:DRAWTO 96,Y:X=X+Q2:Y=X:
IF Y=44 THEN GOTO 1030
1028 GOTO 1022
1030 X=72:Y=X
1032 PLOT X,Q32:DRAWTO Y,44:X=X+Q3:Y=X
:IF Y>92 THEN 1040
1038 GOTO 1032
1040 X=Q20:Y=X:X1=X:Y1=Y
1042 PLOT Q40,X:DRAWTO 50,Y:PLOT 110,X
1:DRAWTO 120,Y1:X1=X1+Q1:Y1=X1:X=X1:Y=
Y1:IF Y1=62 THEN GOTO 090
1048 GOTO 1042
1099 GOSUB 1107:RESTORE 1100:GOTO 50
1100 DATA 65,13,97,13,105,25,1,105,25,
105,57,97,65,1,97,65,65,65,57,1,55,
57,55,25,65,13,1,67,27,73,27,73,33,1
1102 DATA 73,33,67,33,67,27,1,89,27,95
,27,95,33,1,95,33,89,33,89,27,1,65,49,
69,57,73,59,1,73,59,89,59,93,55,1
1104 DATA 93,55,97,49,89,51,1,89,51,73
,51,65,49,1,89,55,89,55,73,55,1,65,49,
73,55,73,55,1,65,49,73,55,73,55,1
1105 DATA 97,49,89,55,89,55,1,79,35,79
,43,83,43,1,83,43,83,45,77,45,1,77,45,
77,35,79,35,1,73,29,69,29,69,33,1
1106 DATA 89,29,93,29,93,33,-9
1107 GOSUB KOLOR:X=73:Y=X
1108 PLOT X,51:DRAWTO Y,59:X=X+Q4:Y=X:
IF Y=93 THEN RETURN
1110 GOTO 1108
1500 POKE KEY,Q255:SOUND Q0,Q40,Q10,14
:FOR D=Q1 TO Q20:NEXT D:SOUND Q0,Q0,Q0
,Q0:?" :? :? " This is a ...";
1501 SPOT=1507:TRAP QTRAP:OPEN HQ1,Q4,
Q0,"K":GOSUB BRK
1505 FOR D=Q1 TO 12:GET HQ1,A:IF A=Q15
5 THEN 1510
1506 IF A<Q65 OR A>Q90 THEN A=Q32
1507 IF A=Q32 OR A=Q126 THEN ? "K":CLO
SE HQ1:G$="":GOTO 2005
1508 ? CHR$(A):G$(LEN(G$)+Q1)=CHR$(A)
:NEXT D
1509 IF D>12 THEN A=Q32:GOTO 1507
1510 IF G$="" THEN A=Q32:GOTO 1507
1511 IF G$=TEMP$ THEN CLOSE HQ1:G$="":
GOSUB 1950
1512 CLOSE HQ1:GOSUB 2000
1950 GRAPHICS Q2+16:POKE 712,144:POKE
710,28
1951 GOSUB BRK:POSITION Q4,Q3:?" #Q6;"t
hat's right":RA=RA+Q1:WA=WA+Q1
1952 POSITION Q5,Q9:?" #Q6;RA;" OUT OF
";WA
1953 POSITION Q9-LEN(NAMES)/Q2,Q6:?" #6
:NAMES;" "
1954 SOUND Q0,83,Q10,Q10:FOR D=Q1 TO Q
20:NEXT D:SOUND Q0,60,Q10,Q10:FOR D=Q1
TO Q20:NEXT D
1955 SOUND Q0,47,Q10,Q10:FOR D=Q1 TO Q
20:NEXT D:SOUND Q0,Q40,Q10,Q10:FOR D=Q
1 TO Q40:NEXT D
1957 SOUND Q0,47,Q10,Q10:FOR D=Q1 TO Q
20:NEXT D:SOUND Q0,Q40,Q10,Q10:FOR D=Q
1 TO Q40:NEXT D:SOUND Q0,Q0,Q0,Q0
1960 POSITION Q4,Q4:?" #Q6;T$:POSITION
Q7,Q7:?" #Q6;T$:FOR D=Q1 TO 35:NEXT D:C
OUNT=COUNT+Q1:IF COUNT=Q7 THEN 4060
1962 X0=INT(RND(0)*15):GOTO PICK
2000 POKE 710,Q0:?" "K":?" " Well, ";
NAMES:?" " Try again!":WA=WA+Q1
2001 SOUND Q0,84,Q10,14:FOR D=Q1 TO Q1
5:NEXT D:SOUND Q0,101,Q10,14:FOR D=Q1
TO Q15:NEXT D:SOUND Q0,Q0,Q0,Q0
2003 FOR D=Q1 TO 150:NEXT D
2005 FOR D=Q1 TO Q32:NEXT D:G$="":X0=P
EEK(712):POKE 710,X0:?" "K":GOTO 090

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4000 FOR J=Q0 TO PM:POOL(J)=J:NEXT J:F
OR J=PM TO Q0 STEP -1:K=INT(RND(Q0)*(J
+Q1)):PICTURE=POOL(J):POOL(J)=POOL(K)
4010 POOL(K)=PICTURE:NEXT J:PICTURE=(P
ICTURE*100)+99
4015 IF PICTURE=HOW THEN GOTO PICK
4016 IF PICTURE=STA THEN GOTO PICK
4017 IF PICTURE=BOX THEN GOTO PICK
4018 IF PICTURE=KIT THEN GOTO PICK
4019 IF PICTURE=BOO THEN GOTO PICK
4020 IF PICTURE=TV THEN GOTO PICK
4021 IF PICTURE=TRU THEN GOTO PICK
4022 IF PICTURE=FOOT THEN GOTO PICK
4023 IF PICTURE=FAC THEN GOTO PICK
4024 IF PICTURE=CON THEN GOTO PICK
4025 IF PICTURE=LOL THEN GOTO PICK
4030 GOTO PICTURE
4060 IF WA=Q7 THEN REWARD$="PERFECT!!"
"
4062 IF WA=Q8 THEN REWARD$="GREAT!!"
4064 IF WA=Q9 THEN REWARD$="GOOD!!"
4066 IF WA>Q9 THEN REWARD$="PRETTY GO
OD!!"
4070 GRAPHICS 0:POKE 710,212
4071 ? :? :? :? :REWARD$;:? :? :? :NAM
E$;" , you answered ";RA;" out of ";WA:
? "questions correctly!"
4074 GOSUB BRK:POKE 752,Q1:POSITION Q5
,Q10:?"Level":;LV:POKE OFF,Q1:POK
E KEY,Q255:SPOT=4079
4076 ? :? :? "Would you like to try ag
ain? (Y/N)";:OPEN #Q1,Q4,Q0,"K":GOS
UB BRK
4077 GET #Q1,A:IF A=89 THEN CLOSE #Q1:
RUN
4079 POKE OFF,Q0:POKE 16,192:POKE 5377
4,247:GRAPHICS 0:CLR:POP:END
5000 ? :?"HOUSE":RETURN
5010 ? :?"STAR":RETURN
5020 ? :?"BOX":RETURN
5030 ? :?"KITE":RETURN
5040 ? :?"CONE":RETURN
5050 ? :?"BOOK":RETURN
5060 ? :?"TV":RETURN
5070 ? :?"LOLLIPOP":RETURN
5080 ? :?"TRUCK":RETURN
5090 ? :?"FOOTBALL":RETURN
5100 ? :?"FACE":RETURN
6000 ? :?"HOUSE" "CAR" B
OAT":RETURN
6010 ? :?"TRUCK" "GIRL" I
STAR":RETURN
6020 ? :?"TABLE" "BOX" I
TOP":RETURN
6030 ? :?"SHOE" "TAIL" KIT
E":RETURN
6040 ? :?"CONE" "HELLO" TR
EE":RETURN
6050 ? :?"BOOK" "RECORD" G
LASS":RETURN
6060 ? :?"OVEN" "TV" CHA
IR":RETURN
6070 ? :?"DESK" "PAPER" LOLL
IPOP":RETURN
6080 ? :?"TRUCK" "STAR" B
ALL":RETURN
6090 ? :?"BAT" "FOOTBALL" N
AT":RETURN
6100 ? :?"GAME" "LID" F
ACE":RETURN
7000 ? :?"HORSE" "HUNCH" "HOUSE"
HOW":RETURN
7010 ? :?"STOP" "STAY" "STAR" S
TART":RETURN
7020 ? :?"BOX" "BOY" "FOX" BL
OCKS":RETURN
7030 ? :?"KITTEN" "KIT" "KITE" I
CLAY":RETURN
7040 ? :?"CANE" "CART" "BONE" C
ONE":RETURN
7050 ? :?"TOOK" "BOO" "BOOK" I
BOMB":RETURN
7060 ? :?"T.B." "TV" "TENT" "TEE"
VEE":RETURN
7070 ? :?"LULU" "LULL" "LOLLIPOP" L
ARD":RETURN

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7080 ? :?"CAR" "TRUCK" "TRAIN" T
ROLL":RETURN
7090 ? :?"FEEDBAG" "FOOT" "FOOTBALL"
FOOD":RETURN
7100 ? :?"FOOT" "FACE" "FLASH"
FADE":RETURN
8000 ? :RETURN
13000 POKE 16,64:POKE 53774,64:POKE 70
2,64:POKE 694,Q0:RETURN
13500 A=Q32:GOTO SPOT
14000 GRAPHICS 0:GOSUB BRK:COLOR Q1:P
OKE OFF,Q1:POKE 710,(X0*16)+Q4:POKE 71
2,PEEK(710):RETURN
15000 Q1=1:Q0=Q1-Q1:Q2=Q1+Q1:Q3=Q2+Q1:
Q4=Q3+Q1:Q5=Q4+Q1:Q6=Q5+Q1:Q7=Q5+Q2:Q8
=Q7+Q1:Q9=Q8+Q1:Q10=Q9+Q1:Q15=Q10+Q5
15005 Q20=Q10+Q10:Q29=Q20+Q9:Q32=Q20+Q
10+Q2:Q40=Q20+Q20:Q49=Q40+Q9:Q52=Q40+Q
10+Q2
15010 Q65=65:Q90=90:Q126=126:Q155=155:
Q255=255:CUE=1500:CLUE=5000:PICK=4000:
BRK=13000:OFF=752:KEY=764:KOLOR=14000
15020 QTRAP=13500:PM=Q10:DIM NAMES(12)
,REWARDS(15),TEMP$(Q10),G$(15),T$(12),
POOL(PN):T$="
15030 RETURN
16000 GRAPHICS 00:GOSUB BRK:POKE 710,9
8
16010 ? " This program will show you
some pictures and picture words. T
here are four difficulty levels."
16020 ? :? :? "LEVEL 1 This level s
imply asks you to type the given pictu
re word."
16030 ? :? :? "LEVEL 2 This level g
ives you some words to choose from to
find the picture word."
16040 ? :? :? "LEVEL 3 This level g
ives you some very similar words to c
hoose from."
16050 ? :? :? "LEVEL 4 This level a
sks you to spell the picture word
without any clues.":RETURN

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CHECKSUM DATA

(See page 23)

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0 DATA 890,841,269,928,121,895,855,674
,815,647,244,785,377,17,670,9028
27 DATA 960,695,908,269,165,174,742,74
2,745,164,671,51,60,790,775,7911
65 DATA 776,390,59,480,567,619,998,630
,40,526,680,692,64,689,662,7872
115 DATA 973,695,694,418,35,422,363,32
8,426,51,355,41,845,434,591,6671
601 DATA 620,118,205,175,656,438,541,6
41,387,222,969,313,730,95,404,6514
806 DATA 270,577,591,459,217,446,331,8
29,27,912,651,885,375,227,736,7533
940 DATA 794,959,744,393,54,751,661,30
4,64,895,166,747,176,984,898,8590
1028 DATA 724,995,111,727,295,890,730,
681,641,527,516,529,393,679,33,8471
1110 DATA 725,344,209,215,30,994,325,9
0,254,761,392,236,356,794,709,6434
1954 DATA 157,713,801,194,129,631,243,
378,31,620,256,854,854,846,861,7568
4019 DATA 832,576,886,808,795,824,849,
425,805,740,626,210,726,820,588,10510
4076 DATA 337,352,556,241,48,480,770,7
67,3,136,466,256,509,719,937,6577
6010 DATA 686,903,898,259,119,501,927,
612,667,557,685,749,248,440,996,9247
7050 DATA 880,838,402,739,427,161,94,6
40,871,239,338,743,583,526,61,7542
16000 DATA 330,390,104,853,982,44,2703

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AlterDOS

16K Disk

by Gordon L. Banks

PROBLEM: Suppose that you, as many of us do, have several AUTORUN.SYS files that are twelve sectors long. Since the filename and the length are identical, how to you remember what each one does? Usually you have to boot that disk to find out. This is too time consuming.

SOLUTION: Modify your DOS to recognize filenames other than just AUTORUN.SYS as the autorun file.

HOW: When DOS is booted and loaded into RAM, memory locations 5903 through 5914 contain the name recognized by DOS as the autorun file. All we have to do is POKE in our own preference, and then SAVE the modified version of DOS back onto the disk. The following program, **AlterDOS**, does just that. But what new name do we use? One idea with merit is to alter DOS to recognize any eight-character filename with the .ARS extender. With the asterisk (*) wildcard replacing the eight-character filename, you can use those eight characters to give your autorun files meaningful names, such as RENUMBER, or SCRNDUMP, or whatever you like. Any name would work, as long as it has the .ARS (AutoRunSys) extender. Then you could also keep additional autorun files on the same disk, but in an inactive status, by changing the extender to something like .ARF (AutoRunFile). Your DOS-copying functions would also copy these more readily than files with the .SYS extender.

However (and you just *knew* there would be a "however," didn't you?), there is a serious drawback to this plan. Files still named AUTORUN.SYS won't work until renamed. This means renaming all current and future AUTORUN.SYS files before you use them. Swapping disks with friends will even-

tually lead to your modified DOS being in the hands of someone else. Think of the problems they will experience when their AUTORUN.SYS files won't work. Also, please believe me, there will come a time when you will forget and try to boot up a disk with an AUTORUN.SYS file, and when it doesn't work, you do a lot of head scratching.

My recommendation is to change your autorun identifier to A*.SYS. This method still allows you to use seven characters with which to define your autorun files with meaningful names. For instance, isn't ARENUMBER.SYS or ASCRNDMP.SYS really an improvement? This way, if a friend winds up with your modified version of DOS, it won't matter, and an autorun file named AUTORUN.SYS (yecch!) will still be recognized by DOS, just as usual.

So, consider these two possibilities — along with your own ideas. Maybe you'll come up with something better and share it with the rest of us. Just insert your preference into Line 160 where I have "A*.SYS". □

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10 REM .....ALTERDOS.....
20 REM ..by Gordon L Banks.....
30 REM .....
40 GRAPHICS 0:DIM A$(40):POKE 752,1
50 READ A$:IF A$="*" THEN 160
60 ? A$:GOTO 50
70 DATA ..... ALTERDOS .....
80 DATA This program will alter your D
90 DATA allow more descriptive names f
100 DATA AUTORUN.SYS files. You will h
110 DATA letters of your choice in lie
120 DATA of the,'x's shown in this example.

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120 DATA , D:AXXXXXXX.SYS,,(No
te that a file named AUTORUN.SYS, will
still function as normal.),
130 DATA Now names such as ARENUMBR.SY
S or, ASCRNDMP.SYS (for RENUMBER or SCR
EEN-, DUMP) may be used.
140 DATA , Just remember to start the n
ame with, an A and end with .SYS.,
150 DATA If you are ready press RETURN
,,,*
160 INPUT AS:RESTORE 180:AS="A*.SYS"
170 IF LEN(AS)>12 THEN ? :? " NO MORE
THAN 12 CHARACTERS ALLOWED.":GOTO 230
180 FOR I=1 TO LEN(AS):POKE 5902+I,ASC
(AS(I,I)):NEXT I
190 FOR I=5903+LEN(AS) TO 5914:POKE I,
155:NEXT I
200 ? :? " Now writing new DOS.SYS fil
e."
210 REM X10 36,#1,0,0,"D:filename.ext"
unlocks file if locked.
220 X10 36,#1,0,0,"D:DOS.SYS":CLOSE #1
230 OPEN #1,8,0,"D:DOS.SYS":GRAPHICS 0:
"I'M DONE,":? "AND YOU'RE";
230 POKE 752,0:END

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CHECKSUM DATA

(See page 23)

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10 DATA 225,395,768,444,303,958,831,64
2,270,555,878,432,653,294,678,8326
160 DATA 820,688,583,835,346,643,778,6
51,5344

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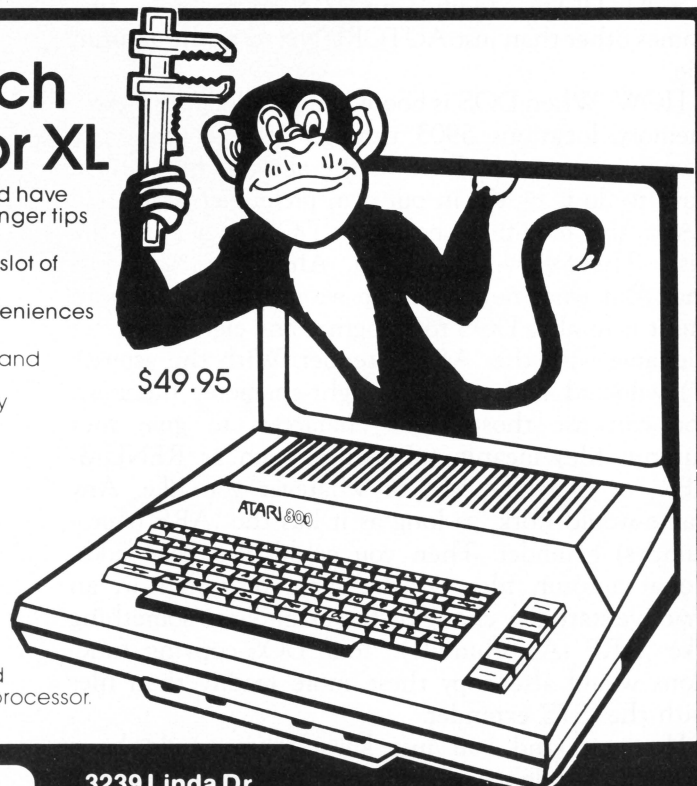
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If you're like me, you love to write programs but hate to even *think* about the mental and physical work involved in keeping track of line numbers as you program. After all, we geniuses need to think about program logic and not the next line increment!

This utility will do four things. First, it will put line numbers on the screen. Second, it will check the line that you typed in for an error and BEEP you by ringing the bell. This is also known as printing CHR\$(253) or hitting CTRL-2. Third, it displays, near the top of the screen, how many variables you have left and, also, how much memory you have left. Fourth, it disables the BREAK key and the clear screen keys. There is also full-screen editing of the lines that are on the screen. You can change the starting line number, or the increment, by pressing CTRL-3 and typing GOTO AUTO. After hitting CTRL-3, you can LIST your program, edit it or add statements. The utility will go back to the next line that it was working on, before CTRL-3 was pressed, by typing GOTO NEXT.

Although most of it is in BASIC, it uses the "forced read mode" to read the entire screen every time RETURN is pressed. This is what allows for full screen editing. There is a short machine language

subroutine to check the entire BASIC program for an error and find out how many variables have been defined. Both of these functions work very fast, so there is hardly any wait while you are entering your program. The program that you are typing in can be separated from the auto-numbering utility by LISTing it to the disk or cassette with the line numbers 0-31999. Here is an example: LIST "D:YOURPROG.EXT",0,31999. This will only LIST your program to the disk. For a cassette-based system, use LIST "C:",0,31999. Lines 32045 and 32055 contain the REM equivalent of these statements. I suggest you type in whichever one applies, and then you can delete the line number and the REM. For disk users, fill in the name that you want to call your program on Line 32045. Press RETURN, and it will be properly LISTed to disk. Cassette users can use Line 32055. By using the LIST command, you will have to use the ENTER command to get your program back into the computer. I suggest you use the SAVE command to save this utility and the LIST command to save your program. This way you can always merge the two by loading the utility first and then using ENTER to load your program.

The machine language subroutine is placed in a string (ML\$) to allow access to page 6. The BREAK key is disabled, because it was put too close to the RETURN and editing keys on the 800. Instead you use CTRL-3 to interrupt the auto-numbering process. This will also restore the BREAK key for normal editing.

Type in the program and use one of **ANALOG's** error-checking programs, **C:CHECK** or **D:CHECK**. I just can't say enough about this idea for typing in programs from printed media. Until they came along, I always thought that the magazine was printing the wrong code. No way. I learned what a really lousy typist I was. At any rate, after the CHECKSUM DATA checks out, type RUN. The screen will go blank for a few seconds, while the utility loads the machine language subroutine into the string. The first thing that prints is "STARTING LINE NUMBER ?" Answer with the line number you want to begin auto line numbering with. If you don't answer with a number, the utility will repeat the question. The second thing you are asked is "INCREMENTS DESIRED?" Answer with the number of lines that are to be between each line number. A good number is 10. This way you can insert 9 lines between each line that you type in, if you find out later that something new should be added.

Next, the first line will appear, and the utility will wait for you to enter a statement. All of the keys are accepted, with the exception of CTRL-CLEAR and SHIFT-CLEAR. These keys are useless during screen editing. If the ESC key is pressed prior to CTRL-CLEAR or SHIFT-CLEAR, it will accept the key(s). When RETURN is pressed, the screen blanks for a second. If there was no error in the line, it will click the console speaker to alert you that it is ready to accept the next line. This is so you don't have to look away from whatever you are typing in. At the top of the screen will be the utility commands. They are: 1. CTRL-3 — Use instead of BREAK key; 2. G.NEXT — GOTO next line number of a predefined increment; and 3. G.AUTO — Set up new line numbers and increments.

Under this is displayed how many variables are left and how much memory is left. The memory is displayed as "BYTES LEFT=". The last two lines are displayed, along with the next line. If there was an error in the line you typed in, the console bell (CTRL-2) will ring, and the only thing on the screen will be the error line and statement following it. The cursor is positioned at the beginning of the line number. Be sure to remove the ERROR- and also the cursor that shows where the error is, to avoid getting another error. When it is corrected, press RETURN, and the utility will go to the next line number.

You may also use the utility to delete lines of code. Type GOTO AUTO and give the starting line

number and increments of the lines that you want deleted. Then just hit RETURN when the line numbers appear. I also use it to type in programs from magazines and books. Sometimes the line numbers are not in even numerical increments (like in this program). When this is the case, you have to use the GOTO AUTO to keep changing the starting line number and the increments. For myself, it's most useful for program development from scratch.

You may wonder why the utility only LISTs two of the previous program lines. In studying the listing, you will see that Line 32113 can be modified to LIST three or even four previous lines. For instance, after the TRAP statement, a LIST LINE-INC*3 will LIST the last three lines. The reason for the two lines is due to the Atari being in true "forced read mode." Even though the CONT is at Line 19, if there are three full lines on the screen (a logical line can be four physical lines), and the fourth line contains an error, the error message could cover up the CONT, and the computer never regains consciousness until SYSTEM RESET is pressed. In the "forced read mode," if a line is encountered with an error, the line is immediately displayed again with the ERROR- message.

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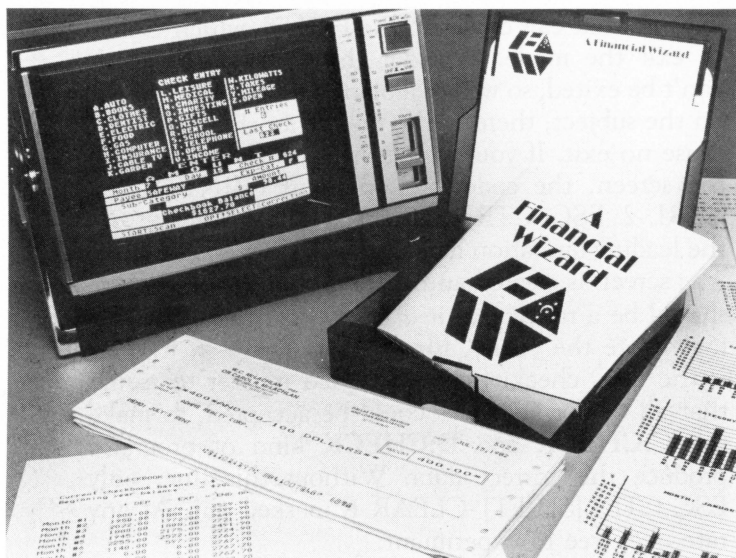



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This is what can cover up the CONT, which is used to exit the mode. Without the CONT, the mode can't be exited, so we get a blank screen. While we're on the subject, there is also one other thing that can cause no exit. If you want to ring the bell and clear the screen, the code is: [Linenum] PRINT "[ESC CTRL-2 ESC CTRL-CLEAR]". If you leave out the leading quotation mark, an error line is generated. The screen is cleared and ZAP! No CONT. This one should be a rarity, but it did happen to me. When I first wrote the utility, Line 32081 wasn't in it. This is the ESC checking line. I added it later to insure that all of the keycodes could be accepted, to make the C:CHECK and D:CHECK kind of programs produce the correct data. Without this line, only ESC CTRL[SHIFT]-CLEAR is masked out. At any rate, feel free to experiment.

The utility consumes 27 of the 128 variables that you can possibly have. I did it this way to conserve RAM. If you need more than 101 variables, you can substitute the variables on Line 32061 to numbers and change them in the program.

If you type RUN after you have keyed in some or all of your program, you will need to type GOTO 32000 to restore the auto line numbering utility. □

Program description.

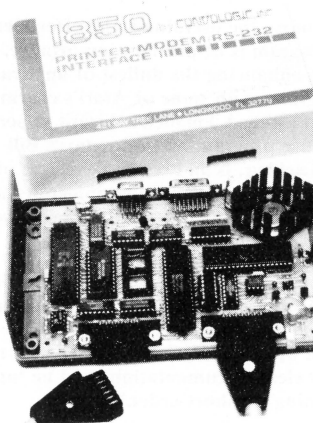
Lines 32060-32061 — Initialize variables and set screen color to blue when ANTIC is turned off. (Whatever color is in 712 when you do a POKE 559,0 is the color the whole screen turns.) Use READ statement to assign variables to statement commands. (NEXT, ON, CLR and GETKEY would not normally be allowed.) Use READ statement to assign numbers to variables that are frequently used. Assigning the value of 1 to C1 and using it instead of a 1 saves memory (but uses a variable) every time it is used instead of the number 1.

Lines 32064-32067 — Load machine language subroutine that checks BASIC program for an error and the number of variables used.

Lines 32068-32075 — Open keyboard for input, disable BREAK key, clear screen, make speaker click, and get starting line number and increments. Print first line number.

Lines 32080-32085 — GETKEY routine. Reads keyboard and prints to screen until a RETURN is encountered. Masks out CTRL-CLEAR, SHIFT-CLEAR. Checks for ESC key.

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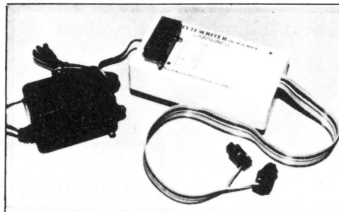
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Lines 32100-32111 — Turn ANTIC off for speed. Set up screen for "forced read mode," and read. Stop "forced read" and exit to machine language subroutine, to check BASIC for error and variables. If no error occurred, increment line by the value in the variable INC.

Lines 32112-32114 — Clear screen. Print utility commands. Print number of variables and memory left. LIST last two lines and the next line number. Turn ANTIC back on and make the console speaker click. Return control to user for input of statements.

Line 32115 — This is where the utility goes when you type GOTO NEXT. This insures that the keyboard is closed and reopened to avoid a 129 or 133 error. Turn ANTIC off and branch back to LIST the last two lines and line number.

Line 32116 — Keyboard and BREAK disable subroutine.

Line 32120 — If we can't find a previous line number to LIST, we just display the current line number. Make sure ANTIC is on, and return to user for input.

Lines 32520-32525 — If there was an error found in the machine language subroutine, we perform this routine. Find out the address of the line number where the error is. Get the line number. Place it in the variable ERRLINE. Alert user by ringing bell. Clear screen. LIST the line with the error. Turn ANTIC on. Position cursor over line number. Return to user for input.

Line 32600 — DATA for the variables at Line 32061.

Lines 32700-32704 — DATA for the machine language subroutine.

Line 32710 — This is where the utility goes when CTRL-3 is pressed. Restore BREAK key and END.

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32068 GOSUB 32116: ? CHR$(CLR):POKE SPE
AKER,C0
32070 POKE ANTIC,ON:TRAP 32070: ? "STAR
TING LINE NUMBER";:INPUT LINE
32075 TRAP 32075: ? "INCREMENTS DESIRED
";:INPUT INC: ? CHR$(CLR): ? : ? : ? LIN
E;" "
32080 TRAP 32710:GET #C1,KEY:IF KEY=15
5 THEN 32100
32081 IF KEY=27 THEN ? CHR$(KEY)::GET
#C1,KEY:GOTO 32085
32082 IF KEY=CLR THEN GOTO GETKEY
32085 ? CHR$(KEY)::GOTO GETKEY
32100 POKE ANTIC,C0:POSITION C2,19: ? "
CONT":POSITION C2,C0:POKE C842,C13:STO
P
32110 POKE C842,C12:X=USR(ADR(ML$)):IF
PEEK(207)=C2 THEN 32520
32111 LINE=LINE+INC: ? CHR$(CLR)
32112 POSITION C2,C0: ? " CTRL/3
G.NEXT G.AUTO: ? "Variables left=";
128-PEEK(205);" Bytes left=";FRE(C0)
32113 ? :TRAP 32120:LIST LINE-INC*C2:L
IST LINE-INC: ? : ? LINE;" "
32114 POKE ANTIC,ON:POKE SPEAKER,C0:GO
TO GETKEY
32115 GOSUB 32116: ? CHR$(CLR):GOTO 321
12
32116 CLOSE #C1:OPEN #C1,C4,C0,"K":POK
E ANTIC,C0:POKE C53774,112:POKE C16,64
:RETURN
32120 ? LINE;" " :POKE ANTIC,ON:GOTO G
ETKEY
32520 ERRADR=PEEK(C203)+PEEK(C203+C1)*
C256:ERRLINE=PEEK(ERRADR)+PEEK(ERRADR+
C1)*C256

```

Basic listing.

```

32000 REM *****
32001 REM *   AUTO LINE NUMBERING   *
32002 REM * BY SAM WILEY SR.        *
32003 REM * ANALOG COMPUTING        *
32004 REM *****
32005 REM
32020 REM 27 VARIABLES
32025 REM 1760 BYTES (REMS DELETED)
32030 REM TO SEPARATE AUTO UTILITY
32040 REM L."D1:PROGNAME.EXT",0,31999
32055 REM L."C:",0,31999
32056 REM
32057 REM TO GET PROGRAM BACK
32058 REM E."D1:PROGNAME.EXT"
32059 REM E."C:"
32060 RESTORE 32600:TRAP 32068:POKE 71
2,148
32061 READ NEXT,ON,GETKEY,ANTIC,AUTO,5
PEAKER,CLR,C0,C1,C2,C4,C53774,C256,C16
,C842,C203,C12,C13
32064 DIM ML$(90):A=C1:POKE ANTIC,C0
32067 READ N:ML$(A,A)=CHR$(N):A=A+C1:G
OTO 32067

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32525 ? CHR$(253):? CHR$(CLR):LIST ERR
LINE:POKE ANTIC,ON:POSITION C2,C1:? :P
OKE 764,255:GOTO GETKEY
32600 DATA 32115,34,32080,559,32060,53
279,125,0,1,2,4,53774,256,16,842,203,1
2,13
32700 DATA 104,165,136,133,203,165,137
,133,204,160,1,177,203,48
32701 DATA 31,200,177,203,133,209,160,
4,177,203,201,55,240,13,24,165,209,101
,203,133
32702 DATA 203,144,228,230,204,208,224
,169,2,133,207,96,169,1,133,207,165,13
4,133,203
32703 DATA 165,135,133,204,169,0,133,2
05,165,203,197,136,208,7,165,204,197,1
37,208,1
32704 DATA 96,230,205,24,169,8,101,203
,133,203,144,232,230,204,208,228
32710 POKE C16,192:POKE C53774,247:? :
? :END

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CHECKSUM DATA (See page 23)

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32000 DATA 817,853,381,628,829,564,188
,613,65,889,900,577,885,821,234,9244
32060 DATA 489,905,547,686,813,199,265
,153,32,582,86,942,593,267,511,7070
32113 DATA 83,424,117,529,817,770,866,
226,606,578,931,723,409,419,7498

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Assembly language listing.

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0100 ; CODE IN DATA STATEMENTS
0110 ; AT LINES 32700-32704
0120 ;
0130 ; SEARCH THE BASIC PROGRAM
0140 ; FOR ERRORS AND VARIABLES
0150 ;
0160 ; SET UP EQUATES
0170 ;
0180 VARTAB=134 ;Var valu table
0190 NUMVAR=205 ;For BASIC
0200 STMTAB=136 ;BASIC's start
0210 NEXLINE=209 ;Storage
0220 ERRFLG=207 ;For BASIC
0230 POINTER=203 ;BAS zero page
0240 ERROR=55 ;BOO-BOO
0250 ;
0260 ; POINT TO STATEMENTS
0270 ;
0280 *=1664 ;ASM use only
0290 PLA ;Don't need
0300 LDA STMTAB ;Set up zero
0310 STA POINTER ;page pointers
0320 LDA STMTAB+1 ;for BASIC
0330 STA POINTER+1 ;search.
0340 ;
0350 ; LAST LINE?
0360 ;
0370 NEXT LDY #1 ;End loop if we
0380 LDA (POINTER),Y ;reached the
0390 BMI RETURN ;last line.
0400 ;
0410 ; GET NEXTLINE POINTER
0420 ;
0430 GETNEXT INY ;Point to next
0440 LDA (POINTER),Y ;NEXTLINE byte
0450 STA NEXLINE ;and keep it.
0460 ;
0470 ; CHECK FOR ERROR
0480 ;
0490 LDY #4 ;COMMAND offset
0500 LDA (POINTER),Y ;Point to it
0510 CMP #ERROR ;Error?
0520 BEQ RETURN2 ;Yes-Return a 2
0530 ;
0540 ; UPDATE POINTER
0550 ;
0560 CLC ;No error so
0570 LDA NEXLINE ;let's get the
0580 ADC POINTER ;next line's
0590 STA POINTER ;address and
0600 BCC NEXT ;go back to
0610 INC POINTER+1 ; check some
0620 BNE NEXT ; more.
0630 ;
0640 ; WE FOUND AN ERROR
0650 ;
0660 RETURN2 LDA #2 ;Tell BASIC we
0670 STA ERRFLG ; goofed. (POKE
0680 RTS ; 207,2)-- exit
0690 ;
0700 ; NO ERROR
0710 ;
0720 RETURN LDA #1 ;Tell BASIC no
0730 STA ERRFLG ; boo-boo's.
0740 ;
0750 ; HOW MANY VARIABLES?
0760 ;
0770 LDA VARTAB ;Set up zero
0780 STA POINTER ;page pointers
0790 LDA VARTAB+1 ;for variable
0800 STA POINTER+1 ; search.
0810 ;
0820 ; INITILIZE
0830 ;
0840 LDA #0 ;Put a zero in
0850 STA NUMVAR ; our counter
0860 ;
0870 ; LAST VARIABLE?
0880 ;
0890 ;
0895 NEXTVAR LDA POINTER; Last one
0910 CMP STMTAB ; yet?
0920 BNE INCREM ;No add 1 more
0930 LDA POINTER+1 ; How about
0940 CMP STMTAB+1 ; now?
0950 BNE INCREM ;No add 1 more
0960 RTS ;Now you may go
0970 ;
0980 ; SET NEXTVAR POINTER
0990 ;
1000 INCREM INC NUMVAR;Add 1 more
1020 CLC ;Get set to add
1030 LDA #8 ;Var # offset
1040 ADC POINTER ;Let's update
1050 STA POINTER ; our pointers
1060 BCC NEXTVAR ; and continue
1070 INC POINTER+1 ; our search.
1080 BNE NEXTVAR ;Uncond. branch

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by Arthur Leyenberger

There is no question that Electronic Arts is the premier game company for the Atari computer. They have been in existence roughly a year and have already produced a dozen titles. Many of these games have become classics. You know the ones I am talking about: **Pinball Construction Set**, **Archon**, **M.U.L.E.**, **Axis Assassin**, **Hard Hat Mack** and **Worms**.

M.U.L.E., which is an economic simulation taking place on a distant planet, was written by Dan and Bill Buntens of Ozark Softscape. Although difficult to believe, the Buntens have outdone themselves with their new game: **The Seven Cities of Gold**.

Seven Cities is a first-person simulation of sixteenth century Spanish conquistadors. After outfitting a ship and hiring a crew, you sail the oceans in search of new worlds. When land is sighted, you disembark with exploration parties in search of natives, treasures and the unknown. It is your decision to either trade with the natives or conquer them to obtain their valuable gold — which you would like to bring back to the homeland.

As the game begins, you obtain an audience at court, seeking gold to fund your expedition. Once you obtain the needed monies, you can stop at the pub for a refreshing brew while you contemplate your journey. Using the joystick you scroll out of the pub and pass by your home. It is here that you can assess your status, formulate plans and say goodbye to your spouse.

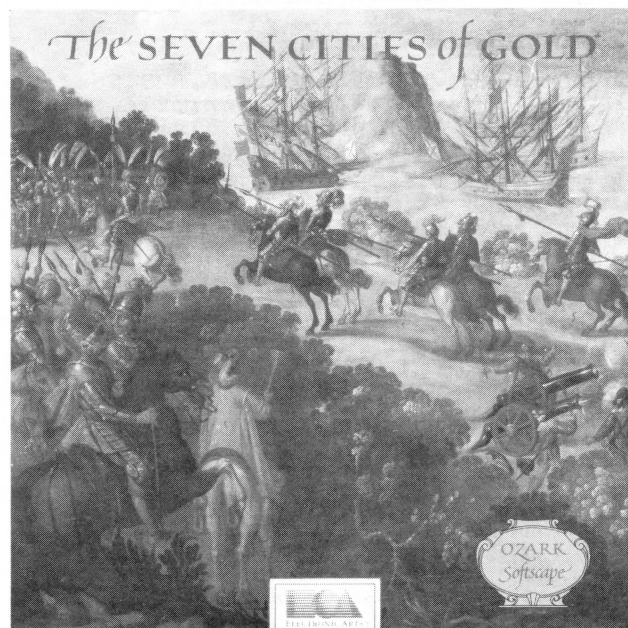
Next stop is the Outfitter, where you hire a crew, buy food and goods and purchase ships. Finally, you embark on your journey, and the court wishes you success.

As your voyage progresses, you must navigate by latitude and pay attention to the passage of time. Storms may be encountered, and lives may be lost due to sickness and storms. It is important to cross the ocean with the least expense of food and life. At any time you can view the ledger of your cargo in order to continually plan your journey.

Once land is sighted and you bring the ships into safe mooring, you must decide on how large an exploration party you want and what provisions you want to carry. Food is all important, but carrying too much will slow your journey. Goods are useful for trading with the natives. And enough men are needed — you may decide to establish forts and missions.

During your exploration of the local geography, you encounter rivers, lakes, plains and mountains. You can travel at various speeds, but travel and rough terrain will cost you additional food and may slow you down. Once you contact a native village, you have several choices. You may give them gifts, trade with them or conquer them. Trading is safer, but it is slower and requires many goods. Gift giving may not produce any immediate results, except show your good will and perhaps convince the natives to eventually tell you where a gold mine is.

Conquering is the easiest, but it will cost you lives and leave bitter memories. Also, the natives may communicate your hostile intent to other villages in the area. It is best to look for signs to determine the mood of the natives before you choose an approach that may have significant consequences.



The Seven Cities of Gold

After you have traded with or conquered several native villages, you will want to get back to your ship before your provisions run out. If you have not paid close attention to your route up till now, you may have trouble finding your ship. It is not uncommon for you and your exploration party to find yourselves lost in the jungle...and starvation is an unpleasant way to die.

If you do make it back to your ship — assuming they have not already sailed for home without you — you must transfer your supplies and booty back to the ship before you leave. Then you sail back across the ocean to your home port. Although your first stop may be the pub for a quick brew, you should visit your home to record your maps and review your journey. A trip to the court is in order to bear your treasures to the Queen. If you have done well,

you will be bestowed with honors and maybe even a title. Now, if you can obtain additional funds, you may prepare for another journey.

Before you begin playing the game, you must create a map disk. You have your choice of using a map of the world as it was known in the 1500s or creating an entirely new world. Creating a new world takes about ten minutes and provides you with a much more challenging game. Rather than just creating random continents, the new world conforms to geological and cultural principles built into the program code.

There are several features that add to the playability of the game. Your current position may be SAVED to the map disk at any time. You may then resume the game from where you left off. A new game may even be started with a map disk without disturbing the previously SAVED game.

Seven Cities of Gold is an engrossing game. I have played it for hours at a time. Electronic Arts has certainly produced another high-quality game for the Atari computer. **Seven Cities** was written by Bill and Dan Bunten, Jim Rushing, Alan Watson and Roy Glover.

Now if you will excuse me, my crew tells me we are ready to set sail for the new world. Wish me luck. □

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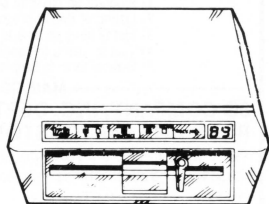
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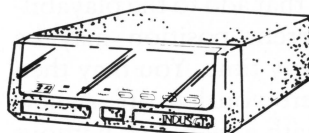
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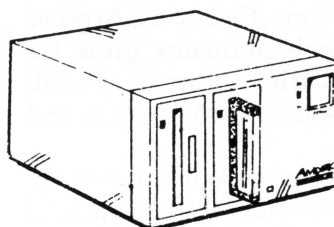
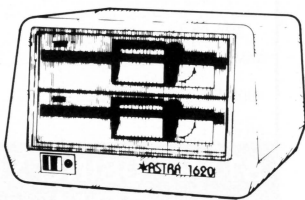
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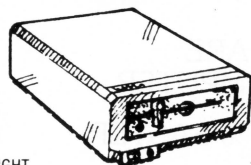
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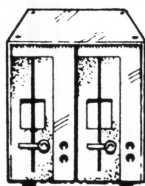
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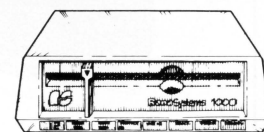


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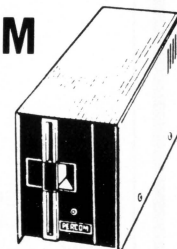
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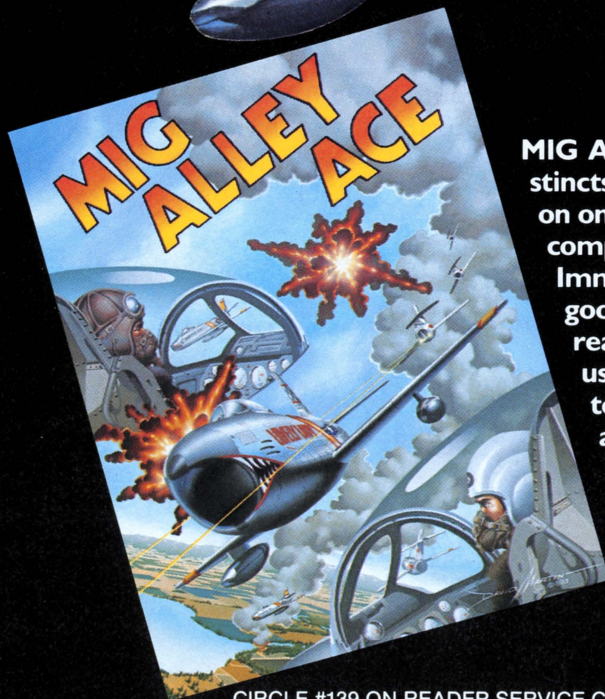
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BASIC Training

by Tom Hudson

In this issue's **BASIC Training**, we'll continue looking at concepts that will help BASIC game programmers. The first topic is a return to issue 18's vector routines, and the second is an easy way to speed up your BASIC games.

Both of this issue's topics were taken from a letter I received from Harold L. Reed.

Vectors revisited.

Mr. Reed's letter begins:

Dear Tom,

I enjoyed your **Basic Training** segment in the April issue of **ANALOG**. The follower routines you presented were very interesting, but as you said in your article, the routine that produces the best results (Figure 6) has the drawback of being slow until the follower gets near the target. This occurs because the routine in Line 160, which determines the step size for X and Y, accomplishes the task by finding the total X and Y distances between the two points and dividing by 2 repeatedly, until both DELTAX and DELTAY are less than or equal to 1. So, when the points are far apart, the distances have to be divided by 2 many times in order to make them less than or equal to 1. The closer the points come to each other, the less times the dividing loop has to be repeated, and the faster the results appear.

This can easily be solved. Since the objective is to scale both DELTAX and DELTAY so that the larger of them equals 1, simply determine which one is larger, divide the smaller by the larger, then set the larger equal to 1. This can be done by replacing Line 160 with the following:

```
160 IF DELTAX>DELTAY THEN DELTAY=DELTAY/DELTAX:DELTAX=1:GOTO 170
165 DELTAX=DELTAX/DELTAY:DELTAY=1
```



This speeds up the operation considerably, since only one calculation is now needed. However, it also generates an error when the follower and target come together. This occurs because the program doesn't check to see if it should stop until it calculates its next move. So, if the points are right on top of each other and the routine tries to calculate the next position of the follower, it ends up dividing by zero, which generates the error.

This can be corrected by moving Line 190 to Line 225. The end point check, which was formerly done after the next set of calculations was completed, is now done after each move is completed. The routine is now very fast.

Is my face red! When I originally wrote the algorithm for this follower routine, I was working with assembly language, which does not have true division. I translated the routine into BASIC too literally, and didn't stop to think that BASIC had a faster solution. In any case, Figure 1 shows the new, improved "FOLLOWER (VECTOR 1)" routine, courtesy of Harold J. Reed.

Figure 1.

```
10 REM *** FOLLOWER (VECTOR 1) ***
20 REM
30 GRAPHICS 6:COLOR 1
40 DIM X$(15),Y$(15):FOR I=1 TO 15:REA
D X,Y:X$(I)=X:Y$(I)=Y:NEXT I
50 DATA 0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,1,1,1,-1,1,0,0
,0,-1,1,-1,-1,1,0,0,0,1,0,-1,0,0
60 FX=0:FY=0
70 TX=80:TY=40
80 STIK=STICK(0)
90 TX=TX+X$(STIK)
100 TY=TY+Y$(STIK)
110 PLOT TX,TY
120 XD=SGN(TX-FX)
130 YD=SGN(TY-FY)
140 DELTAX=ABS(TX-FX)
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150 DELTAY=ABS(TY-FY)
160 IF DELTAX>DELTAY THEN DELTAY=DELTAY/DELTAX:DELTAX=1:GOTO 170
165 DELTAX=DELTAX/DELTAY:DELTAY=1
170 XV=DELTAX*XD
180 YV=DELTAY*YD
200 FX=FX+XV
210 FY=FY+YV
220 PLOT FX,FY
225 IF INT(FX)=INT(TX) AND INT(FY)=INT(TY) THEN 240
230 GOTO 80
240 ? "GOTCHA!":END

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CHECKSUM DATA

(See page 23)

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10 DATA 420,253,28,350,327,808,992,514,642,729,181,329,339,185,196,6293
160 DATA 146,886,580,589,820,828,130,765,505,441,5690

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Faster execution made easy.

Continuing with our special "Harold J. Reed" installment of **BASIC Training**, here's something simple you can do that can increase the execution speed of your BASIC programs. Harold writes:

I once developed a rather large program and then developed a title screen to go with it. To avoid run-ning the entire program as the title screen was being debugged, I worked on it separately. I used a FOR/NEXT loop to slow down my plotting routine to the desired speed. But then, when it was just right and I added it to my main program, it ran much slower! If BASIC interprets one line of a program at a time, why would the length of the program have any effect on the speed of execution?

This is a very good question, and one which most programmers don't think about or even realize. But the fact is: code placed at the end of a BASIC program executes *slower* than code at the beginning! Let's find out why.

When a program is sitting in the computer's memory, BASIC only knows where the *first* line is located. In order to find the second line, BASIC goes to the first line and gets the pointer to the next line.

If BASIC needs to find the tenth line of a program, it must get the first line and find the pointer to the second line. It then looks at the second line for the pointer to the third line, and so on until it gets the line it's looking for. Imagine how much time is wasted looking for, say, the 400th line of a program!

Just so I could see how much time is lost when code is placed at the end of a program, I put a FOR-NEXT loop at the beginning of the BASIC code for **Retrofire**, which is roughly 225 lines long. When executed, the loop took about 24 seconds.

I then placed the loop at the end of the **Retrofire** program and executed it. This time, it took 99 seconds, over *four times* as long as it did at the beginning of the program!

A program will be slowed down any time code near the end is referenced by line number. For example, the statements GOTO 1000, GOSUB 1000, RESTORE 1000, etc. would all slow down the program if the line number referenced was at the end of the program. FOR/NEXT loops are also affected, since internally BASIC keeps track of the line containing the FOR statement.

If you write games in BASIC, it's a good idea to place one-time initialization routines or title screens at the end of the program. Keep often-used subroutines and the main control code at the beginning of the program. Remember, simply by organizing your code more carefully, you can increase the program's speed by several times!

Write on.

I'd like to thank Mr. Reed for sharing his insights with all the **ANALOG** readers. If you've got a question or observation, scribble it down on a postcard and send it to **BASIC Training**. There's no such thing as a "stupid" question, and you could help potentially thousands of other readers with the same problem.

Until next time, see if you can improve the performance of your old BASIC games by reorganizing the code. You may be pleasantly surprised. □

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16K Disk

by Vern L. Mastel

This program is written to run on any Atari computer with 48K of memory and at least one disk drive. **Letter Perfect** is the only Atari word processor that does not use the standard Atari file management system. Because of this, it is impossible to load **Letter Perfect** text files using another word processor, such as **Text Wizard**, or check the spelling using a standard spelling checker.

ConTEXT is a program which bridges this gap. It will take any text file prepared with **Letter Perfect** and reformat it into a conventional file that can be accessed with a word processor like **Text Wizard**. It will handle files up to 160 sectors in length (this can be increased) and works with one or two disk drives.

At its heart, the program is really quite simple. **Letter Perfect** uses a directory located from sectors 363 to 371 on the disk. **ConTEXT** uses a direct sector read routine to extract the file information and display it in file, starting sector and number of sectors format. Once the particular file to be converted is chosen, the text is read from the **Letter Perfect** file into a string for temporary storage. When the read process is complete, the string is then written back out to a new file on a standard Atari-formatted disk. This file can then be accessed by any conventional Atari word processor. The program offers options for using one or two disk drives.

The operation of the program is as follows:

Lines 10-80 do all of the initialization. There are two very short machine language subroutines used in **ConTEXT**. The first, **INSTR\$**, calls the CIO get sector routine. The second, in **OUTSTR\$**, calls the CIO record move routine. **TRANSFER\$** holds the text from the **Letter Perfect** file and can be adjusted in size to accommodate the average size of file used.

Lines 100-190 do the **Letter Perfect** directory read. The directory information is put into **BUFFER\$**.

Lines 200-300 pull the individual file names, sizes and locations out of the information in **BUFFER\$**.

Lines 310-480 handle the user input regarding which text file is to be converted.

Lines 490-640 do the work of reading the individual sectors of the **Letter Perfect** file and putting the text into **TRANSFER\$**.

Lines 650-710 allow one- or two-drive option to be used for the output file.

Lines 720-780 call the CIO and pass the necessary values it needs to move **TRANSFER\$** to a standard Atari disk file.

Lines 790-830 handle prompting for a disk swap, if needed, upon completion of conversion and continuation or exit from the program.

Using ConTEXT.

The first thing to do when using **ConTEXT** is to copy the files to be converted onto a new **Letter Perfect** formatted disk. This is to insure that all of the sectors are in consecutive order for each file. **ConTEXT** is not smart enough to figure out where the right sectors are for a given file, if they are scattered about on a disk (a common situation on discs that are heavily edited). If you have two drives, the LP text disk will go into drive 1 after **ConTEXT** has been loaded into the computer. RUN the program and select the file to be converted. When you enter the starting sector and number of sectors, be sure to enter them correctly. An error can produce a totally scrambled output file, because the wrong sectors were read.

Letter Perfect has one very strange quirk which can cause a problem with conversion. An LP-formatted disk has sectors 8 through 55 reserved for some specific purpose, meaning that a 10-sector file will be written from sectors 3 to 7 and then from 56 to 61. Obviously, this file will not convert properly, because **ConTEXT** reads consecutive sectors. The solution is to save the file twice and ignore the first file. The program could also be rewritten to handle this situation, but I decided that the extra code was not justified. The destination disk for the converted file is a standard Atari-formatted disk. It can be a blank disk or one already containing text or program files. I prefer to keep converted files on their own disks. Once the converted file is written out to the destination disk, you are done — unless you wish to convert more files. Load in your **Text Wizard** or **Atari Writer** and proceed to use the new files.

One final note. Nearly all converted files will need some cleanup. Watch out for embedded control characters in the text and garbage at the very end. This garbage comes from the fact that rarely does a text file completely fill the last sector. Because **ConTEXT** reads complete sectors only, any "stuff" past the end-of-file in the last sector will be read in as well. It is this that produces the garbage displayed at the end of the text, which must be cleaned up. □

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10 DIM INSTR$(5), DRIVE$(15), BUFFER$(128), OUTSTR$(7)
20 DIM A$(1), FILE$(12), TRANSFER$(20000)
30 POKE 712,148:POKE 752,1
40 FOR X=1 TO 5:READ A:INSTR$(X)=CHR$(A):NEXT X
50 DATA 104,32,83,228,96
60 FOR X=1 TO 7:READ A:OUTSTR$(X)=CHR$(A):NEXT X
70 DATA 104,104,104,170,76,86,228
80 BUFFER$=" ":BUFFER$(128)=" ":BUFFER$(2)=BUFFER$
90 POS=ADR(BUFFER$)
100 POSHI=INT(POS/256)
110 POSLO=POS-POSHI*256
120 POKE 772,POSLO
130 POKE 773,POSHI
140 FOR SECTOR=363 TO 371
150 SECTORHI=INT(SECTOR/256)

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160 SECTORLO=SECTOR-SECTORHI*256
170 POKE 778,SECTORLO:POKE 779,SECTORHI
180 POKE 770,82:POKE 769,1
190 IN=USR(ADR(INSTR$))
200 ? CHR$(125):POSITION 0,0:?"
";CHR$(8);"LETTER PERFECT DIRECTORY";
CHR$(10)
210 ? "FILE NAME          STARTING      N
NUMBER"
220 INDEX=1
230 FOR ENTRY=1 TO 8
240 IF ASC(BUFFER$(ENTRY*16-10,ENTRY*16-10))=0 THEN 300
250 IF BUFFER$(ENTRY*16-15,ENTRY*16-15)="" THEN 300
260 ? BUFFER$(ENTRY*16-10,ENTRY*16);
270 POSITION 18,INDEX+1:?" ASC(BUFFER$(ENTRY*16-12))+256*ASC(BUFFER$(ENTRY*16-11));"
280 POSITION 33,INDEX+1:?" ASC(BUFFER$(ENTRY*16-14))+256*ASC(BUFFER$(ENTRY*16-13))
290 INDEX=INDEX+1
300 NEXT ENTRY
310 POSITION 2,10:?"      PRESS RETURN
FOR NEXT SECTOR:?" "ENTER C TO CONVERT
A DISPLAYED FILE";
320 INPUT A$:IF A$="C" THEN 370
330 NEXT SECTOR
340 ? CHR$(125):POSITION 8,10:?"
END OF DIRECTORY ":?"      PRESS RETURN
N TO BEGIN AGAIN"
350 ? "      ENTER E TO END";:INPUT
UT A$:IF A$="E" THEN END
360 GOTO 80
370 ? :?"FILE TO CONVERT====>";:INPUT
FILES
380 FOR X=1 TO LEN(FILE$):IF FILE$(X,X)="" THEN FILE$=FILE$(1,X-1):GOTO 400
390 NEXT X
400 ? "INPUT STARTING SECTOR====>";:INPUT
UT S$
410 ? "INPUT NUMBER OF SECTORS=>";:INPUT
UT SECNUM
420 ? :?"FILENAME IS=====>";FILE$
430 ? "STARTING SECTOR====>";S$
440 ? "NUMBER OF SECTORS=>";SECNUM
450 ? "IS THIS CORRECT Y/N";:INPUT A$:
IF A$="Y" THEN 480
460 POSITION 2,12:FOR X=1 TO 13:PRINT
CHR$(156);:NEXT X
470 POSITION 2,12:GOTO 370
480 POSITION 2,12:FOR X=1 TO 13:?" CHR$(156);:NEXT X
490 POSITION 2,13:?" CONVERTING FILE
";FILE$;" PLEASE WAIT"
500 TRANSFER$=""
510 MOVESIZE=(SECNUM-1)*128:IF MOVESIZE<128 THEN MOVESIZE=128
520 TRANSFER$=" ":TRANSFER$(MOVESIZE)="
":TRANSFER$(2)=TRANSFER$
530 POS=ADR(TRANSFER$)-128
540 FOR SECTOR=55+1 TO 55+SECNUM-1
550 POS=POS+128
560 POSHI=INT(POS/256)
570 POSLO=POS-POSHI*256
580 POKE 772,POSLO:POKE 773,POSHI
590 SECTORHI=INT(SECTOR/256)
600 SECTORLO=SECTOR-SECTORHI*256
610 POKE 778,SECTORLO:POKE 779,SECTORHI
620 POKE 770,82:POKE 769,1
630 IN=USR(ADR(INSTR$))
640 NEXT SECTOR:EFLAG=0:FOR ADDR=POS T
O POS+127:BYTE=PEEK(ADDR):IF BYTE=27 T
HEN EFLAG=1
644 IF EFLAG THEN BYTE=32
645 POKE ADDR,BYTE:NEXT ADDR
650 ? CHR$(125):POSITION 3,10:?"SEND
NEW FILE TO WHICH DRIVE D1-D2?":?" ? "
RETURN FOR D2"
660 ? :?"      ==>";:INPUT DRIV
E$
670 IF DRIVE$(1)="" THEN DRIVE$="D2"
680 DRIVE$(3)="":DRIVE$(4)=FILE$:DRIV
E$(LEN(DRIVE$)+1)=".COM"

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690 ON DRIVES(1,2)="D2" GOTO 720: ? CHR
$(125):POSITION 8,10: ? "PLEASE REMOVE
THE TEXT DISC"
700 ? " AND INSERT AN ATARI FORMAT
TED": ? " DESTINATION DISC IN DRIV
E 1": ?
710 ? " PRESS RETURN WHEN READY"
: INPUT A$
720 OPEN #1,8,0,DRIVES:POS=ADR(TRANSFE
R$)
730 SIZE=LEN(TRANSFER$):SIZEHB=INT(SIZ
E/256):SIZELB=SIZE-SIZEHB*256
740 STARTHB=INT(POS/256):STARTLB=POS-S
TARHB*256
750 POKE 852,STARTLB:POKE 853,STARHB
760 POKE 856,SIZELB:POKE 857,SIZEHB
770 POKE 850,11
780 OUT=USR(ADR(OUTSTR$),16):CLOSE #1
790 ? CHR$(125):POSITION 10,8: ? " CON
VERSION COMPLETE ": ?
800 ON DRIVES(1,2)="D2" GOTO 820: ? "
PLEASE REMOVE THE CONVERSION DISC": ? "
FROM DRIVE #1 AND REINSERT THE"
810 ? " LETTER PERFECT TEXT DISC"
: ?
820 ? " PRESS RETURN TO CONTINUE"
: ? " ENTER E TO END": INPUT
A$: IF A$="E" THEN END
830 GOTO 80

```

CHECKSUM DATA

(See page 23)

```

10 DATA 397,689,174,40,802,370,682,79,
922,229,195,583,569,431,129,6291
160 DATA 557,546,258,182,321,341,514,6
65,870,564,617,431,101,349,163,6479
310 DATA 327,956,367,869,105,516,858,4
68,789,174,328,902,483,637,951,8730
460 DATA 284,371,355,964,394,358,839,5
89,771,189,255,221,621,149,549,6909
610 DATA 538,250,174,805,640,262,143,5
77,551,681,181,51,507,343,419,6122
740 DATA 793,332,720,8,148,965,731,1,6
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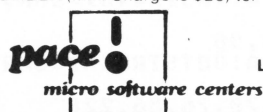
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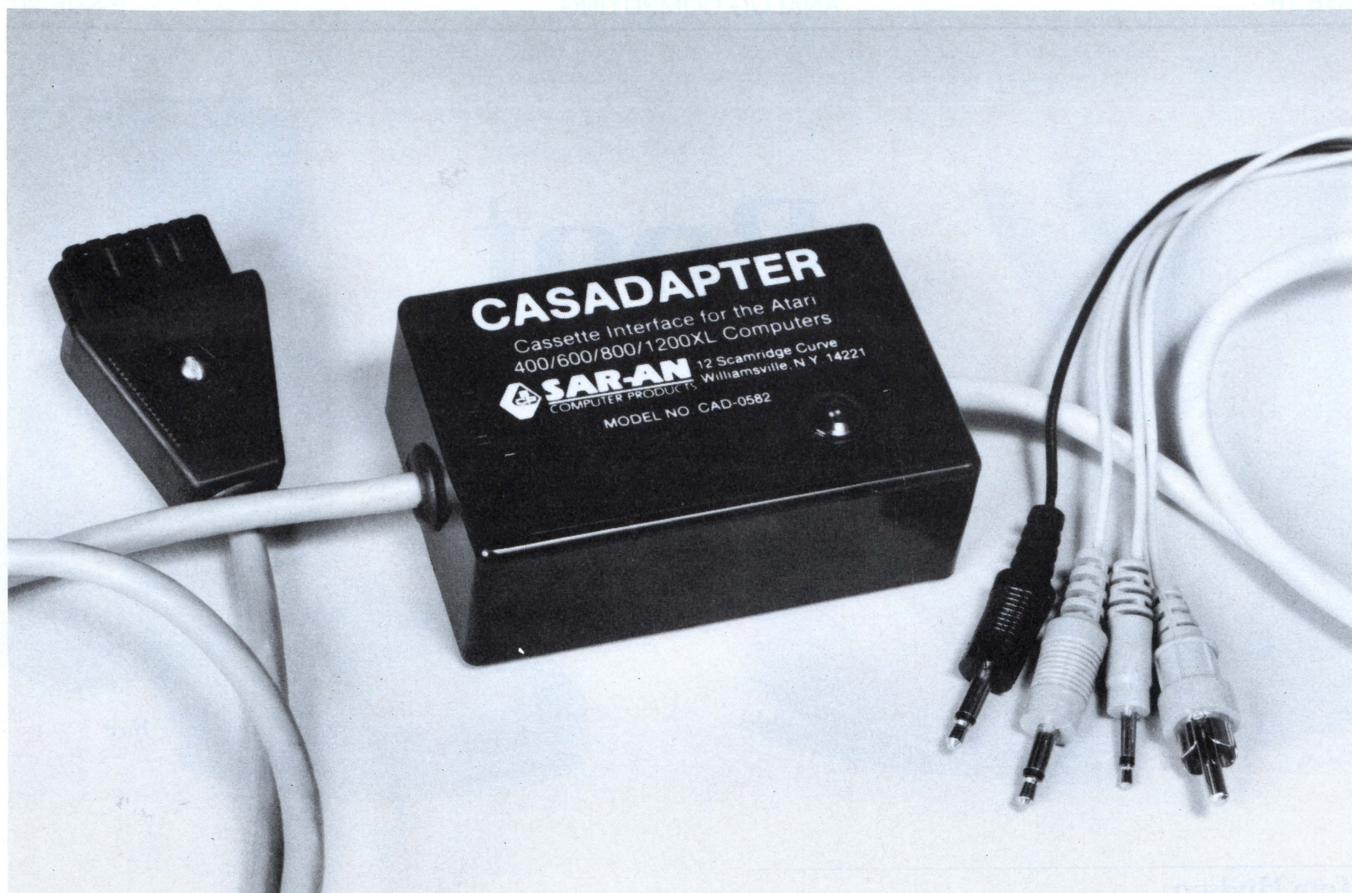


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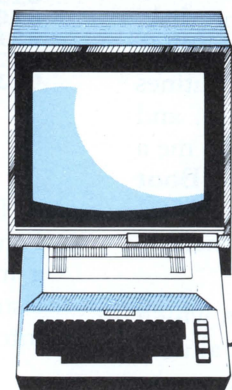


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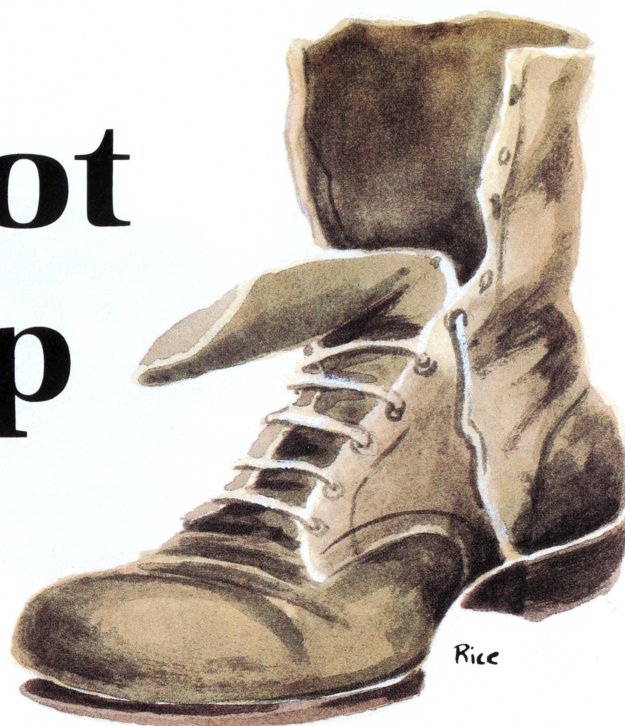
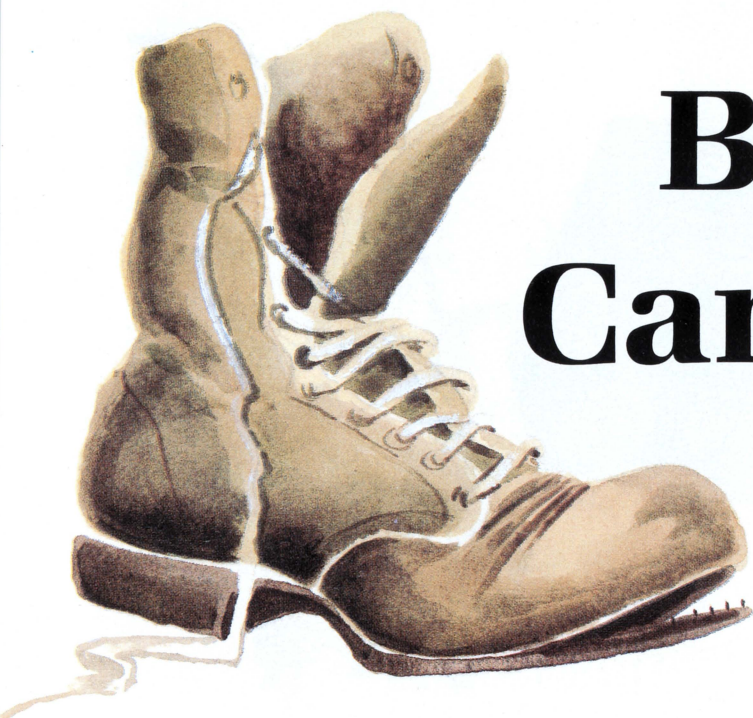
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by Tom Hudson

Welcome back! As I mentioned last issue, there are only a few more 6502 instructions left for us to cover, and we'll talk about them in the next two installments. There are also a couple of instructions we're going to skip until later. They are for more advanced uses, and won't make much sense until you've got more experience with assembly language.

Several people have written lately, asking if we'll get into full-scale programs and using the Atari's powerful operating system. The answer: You bet! We're going to find out how to access the disk, cassette, graphics, keyboard, and just about anything else you'd like to hear about. We'll study routines for high-speed math, player/missile graphics, and more. If you've got a specific suggestion, drop me a postcard, and I'll add your idea to my topic file. **Boot Camp** is here not only to teach you what 6502 assembly instructions do, but how to apply them.

Two solutions.

Last issue, I asked you to write a program which multiplied the number 5 by 27. There is an almost infinite number of ways to do this, and I'll show you two of them now. Remember, these aren't the only possibilities, and, even though your solution may not be as efficient, getting the correct answer is what counts most.

Solution #1.

```

10      *= $0600
20      CLD
30      LDA #5      ;BINARY MATH!
40      STA TIMES1  ;GET # TO MULT.
                    ;SAVE # TIMES 1

```

```

50      ASL A        ;*2
60      STA TIMES2   ;SAVE # TIMES 2
70      ASL A        ;*4
80      ASL A        ;*8
90      STA TIMES8   ;SAVE # TIMES 8
0100    ASL A        ;*16
0110    CLC          ;CLEAR FOR ADD
0120    ADC TIMES8   ;*24
0130    CLC          ;CLEAR AGAIN
0140    ADC TIMES2   ;*26
0150    CLC          ;CLEAR AGAIN
0160    ADC TIMES1   ;*27
0170    STA RESULT   ;SAVE # TIMES 27
0180    BRK          ;WE'RE DONE!
0190    TIMES1 *=*+1
0200    TIMES2 *=*+1
0210    TIMES8 *=*+1
0220    RESULT *=*+1
0230    .END

```

Figure 1.

The first solution I'm going to cover is shown in Figure 1. This program uses the principle of breaking a multiply into "bite-sized" pieces, as shown last issue. In this case, I broke the multiply by 27 down into the following group of adds:

```

      (number * 16)
      (number * 8)
      (number * 2)
+   (number )
-----
      (number * 27)

```

Let's step through the program in Figure 1 and see how it works.

Line 20 — clears the decimal mode. Always remember to be sure of the setting of the

decimal flag before doing any arithmetic.

Line 30 — loads the accumulator with the number 5. When the routine is finished, this number will be multiplied by 27 and stored in the memory location labeled RESULT.

Line 40 — stores the accumulator's contents in the memory location labeled TIMES1 ($5 * 1$). We need to save this value for later, when we add the "bite-sized" pieces together.

Line 50 — shifts the accumulator contents left one bit, multiplying it by two.

Line 60 — saves the accumulator (now $5 * 2$) in the location TIMES2. This value is also needed for our final result.

Line 70 — shifts the accumulator left one bit again, leaving the accumulator with the value $5 * 4$.

Line 80 — performs another left shift on the accumulator. The accumulator now contains $5 * 8$.

Line 90 — saves the accumulator's contents in the location TIMES8.

Line 100 — performs a final left shift on the accumulator, leaving the accumulator with the value $5 * 16$. At this point, we have all the "bite-sized" pieces we need to get our answer, and are ready to add them up.

Line 110 — clears the carry flag for the first add in the group. Remember, this is a necessary instruction before any single-byte addition.

Line 120 — adds the accumulator ($5 * 16$) to TIMES8 ($5 * 8$), leaving the result ($5 * 24$) in the accumulator for the next add.

Line 130 — clears the carry for the next add.

Line 140 — adds the accumulator ($5 * 24$) to TIMES2 ($5 * 27$), with the result ($5 * 26$) left in the accumulator.

Line 150 — clears the carry again, for the final addition operation.

Line 160 — adds the accumulator ($5 * 26$) to TIMES1 ($5 * 1$), leaving the accumulator holding the final value, 5 times 27!

Line 170 — saves the final answer in the location labeled RESULT.

Line 180 — BREAKs the execution of the program. At this point, you can check the location RESULT to be sure it contains $5 * 27$, or 135 (\$87 hex).

Lines 190-220 — reserve one byte for each of the four data areas used by the program.

Solution #2.

The second solution I decided to show is a modification of the first technique. In this program, I decided to break the multiply down into smaller pieces again, but structure it so that subtracts are used instead of adds:

$$\begin{array}{r} (\text{number} * 32) \\ (\text{number} * 4) \\ - (\text{number}) \\ \hline (\text{number} * 27) \end{array}$$

As you can see, we get the same result as with adds, but with only three math operations instead of four. Figure 2 shows the 6502 code necessary to implement this method.

```

10      *= $0600
20      CLD                      ;BINARY MATH
30      LDA #5                   ;GET # TO MULT.
40      STA TIMES1               ;SAVE # TIMES 1
50      ASL A                    ;*2
60      ASL A                    ;*4
70      STA TIMES4               ;SAVE # TIMES 4
80      ASL A                    ;*8
90      ASL A                    ;*16
0100    ASL A                    ;*32
0110    SEC                     ;SET FOR SUBTRACT
0120    SBC TIMES4               ;*28
0130    SEC                     ;SET AGAIN
0140    SBC TIMES1               ;*27
0150    STA RESULT              ;SAVE # TIMES 27
0160    BRK                     ;ALL DONE!
0170    TIMES1 *=*+1
0180    TIMES4 *=*+1
0190    RESULT *=*+1
0200    .END

```

Figure 2.

Let's walk through this program and see what's going on.

Line 20 — clears the decimal mode for binary arithmetic. I can't overemphasize the importance of knowing the status of the decimal mode flag. If you're in doubt, SET or CLEAR it as needed.

Line 30 — loads the accumulator with the number 5. When this program is finished, the number 5 will be multiplied by 27.

Line 40 — saves the contents of the accumulator in the location labeled TIMES1, for later use.

Line 50 — shifts the accumulator left 1 bit, multiplying it by 2.

Line 60 — shifts the accumulator left again, leaving the accumulator with the value $5 * 4$.

Line 70 — saves the contents of the accumulator ($5 * 4$) in the memory location TIMES4.

Line 80 — shifts the accumulator left again, leaving the value $5 * 8$ in the accumulator.

Line 90 — performs another left shift. At this point the accumulator contains $5 * 16$.

Line 100 — shifts the accumulator left a final time. The accumulator now contains the value $5 * 32$. We are now ready to perform the subtract operations as shown above.

Line 110 — sets the carry flag for the first subtract operation. Remember, the carry flag should always be set before a single-byte subtract to insure correct results.

Line 120 — subtracts the value TIMES4 ($5 *$

4) from the accumulator ($5 * 32$), leaving the accumulator containing the value $5 * 28$.

Line 130 — sets the carry flag for the next subtract.

Line 140 — subtracts the value TIMES1 ($5 * 1$) from the accumulator ($5 * 28$), leaving the accumulator with the value $5 * 27$!

Line 150 — saves the answer in the location labeled RESULT.

Line 160 — stops the program's execution with the BRK instruction. At this point, you can verify that the location RESULT (and the accumulator) contain $5 * 27$, or 135 (\$87 hex).

Lines 170-190 — reserve one byte for each of the three data fields used by the program.

Obviously, these are just two of the thousands of solutions possible for this problem. If you've got a different approach, I'd like to see it. Just send your programs to **Boot Camp**, in care of **ANALOG**.

Stacking the deck.

The last topic we're going to cover before going on to bigger and better things is the 6502 *stack*. This is an important feature of the 6502, as it allows us to write subroutines. Since the stack concept is very important, we're going to cover it in detail starting this

issue, and finish it with assembly examples next time. Let's get started finding out what the stack is and how it works.

The 6502 reserves 256 bytes of memory from \$0100-01FF (also called page 1) for a temporary storage area. We call this area the *stack*. This area is automatically maintained for the 6502, but we can use it for short-term storage, too.

We call the stack a "last-in, first-out" structure. The last number placed on the stack is always the first to be pulled off. A good way to remember this is to think of a stack of pancakes. When you pile them up, the last one put on the stack is on top. When you take them off one at a time, the last one you put on comes off first. Using this analogy, the computer could keep track of 256 pancakes, each with a number written on it.

The computer keeps track of the stack's contents by using the Stack Pointer register inside the 6502. This pointer ranges from \$00-FF. When the stack pointer contains \$00, it is pointing to the memory location \$0100. When it contains \$FF, the location \$01FF is indicated.

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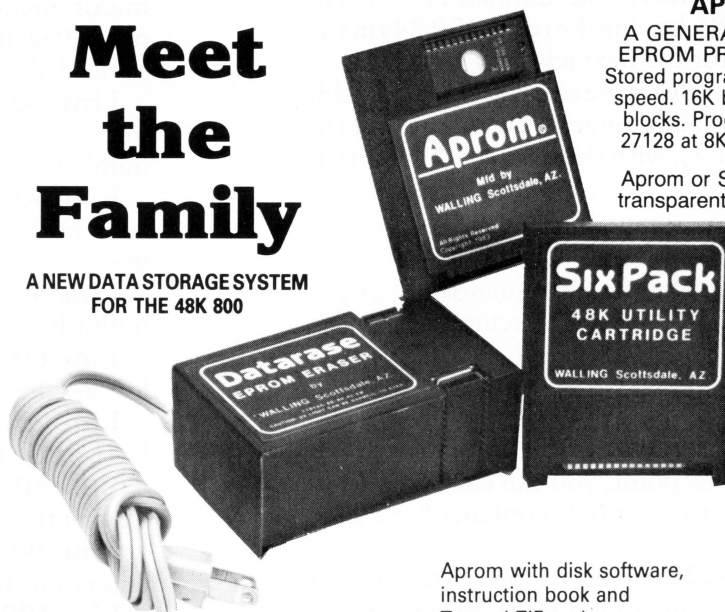
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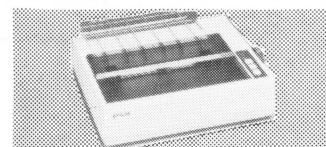
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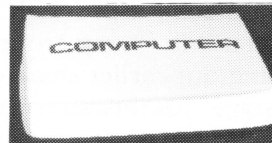
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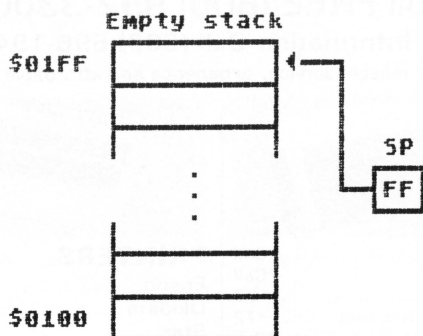


Figure 3.

As the stack is filled with more and more values, the stack pointer is decremented, pointing to lower areas of page 1. When completely filled, the stack pointer will contain \$00, as shown in Figure 4.

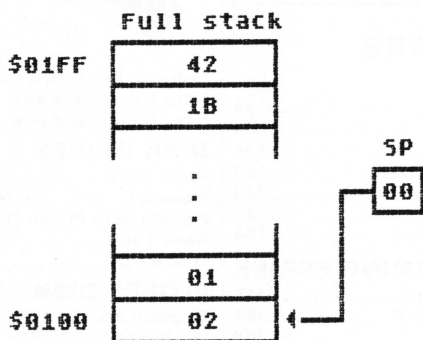


Figure 4.

Since the computer has only reserved 256 bytes for a stack, there are obviously limitations in its use. If the stack is filled with too many values, the stack pointer will "wrap around" back to \$FF and begin wiping out earlier stack entries! There is no "error message" for this, so you must be careful when working with the stack.

When entries are removed from the stack, the process is reversed. As each byte is pulled off the stack, the pointer is *incremented*, pointing to progressively higher locations of the stack.

How subroutines work.

In BASIC, subroutines are easy to write. You simply set up the necessary BASIC code, put a RETURN instruction at the end of it, and call it with the GOSUB statement whenever you need it. The subroutine code is performed, and BASIC resumes execution at the next statement after the GOSUB. Neat, huh?

In order for a BASIC subroutine to work, the computer has to know how to get back to the instruc-

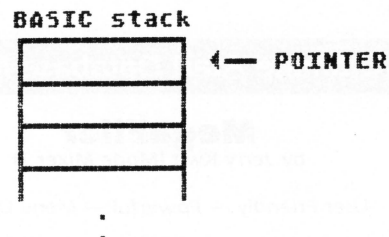
tion after the GOSUB. It does this by using a stack. Let's look at a simplified example of how a BASIC subroutine is executed.

```
10 GOSUB 100
20 END
100 GOSUB 200
110 RETURN
200 A=A+1
210 RETURN
```

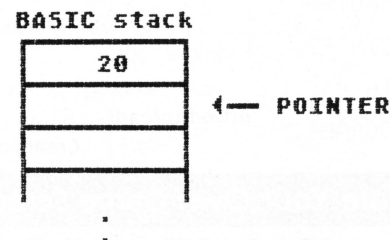
Figure 5.

Figure 5 is a short BASIC program using the BASIC subroutine statements, GOSUB and RETURN. We're going to step through it and watch what happens to the BASIC stack, a special area similar to the 6502 stack.

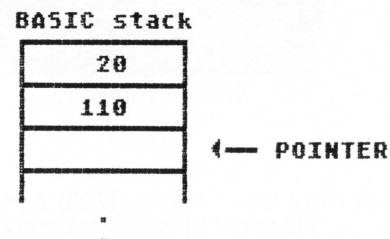
Before execution — The stack is empty, and the stack pointer is pointing to the first available position.



Line 10 — The GOSUB to Line 100 is executed. First, the computer finds the next statement after the GOSUB. The next statement is in Line 20, so the computer *pushes* that line number onto the first location on the stack, and changes the stack pointer to point to the next available location. Execution then proceeds at Line 100. At this point, the stack looks like:

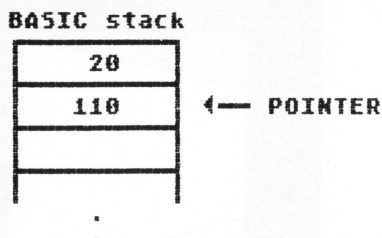


Line 100 — This line executes a GOSUB to Line 200. The next statement after this GOSUB is Line 110, so this number is placed on the stack, and the stack pointer is advanced to the next available position. Execution continues at Line 200. The stack now looks like:



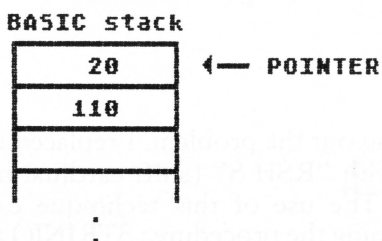
Line 200 — The computer adds one to the variable A. The stack is not affected.

Line 210 — The computer encounters a RETURN statement. At this point, the computer increments the stack pointer, like so:



Now the computer takes the line number 110 from the stack. As you can see, the computer can now go back to the instruction after the last GOSUB. Execution continues at Line 110.

Line 110 — Another RETURN is encountered, and the stack pointer is incremented again. Now the stack looks like this:



The computer gets the line number from the stack and completes the RETURN by resuming execution at Line 20.

Line 20 — This line terminates execution with the END statement. The stack is back to its original condition, with the pointer indicating the first stack location. The line numbers are still in the stack itself, but since the stack pointer no longer points to them, they are no longer active. They will be wiped out by new stack entries.

Now do you see how the stack works? It's a great way to handle subroutines, where the computer must be able to find its way back to the code which called the subroutine.

Until next time.

If you think **Boot Camp** looks more like **Basic Training** this issue, hold on! I wanted to explain the subroutine process in a language you're familiar with, like BASIC. Next issue we'll examine the operation of the 6502 subroutine process, and learn how to use the stack for our own programs.

10 GOSUB 10
20 END

Figure 6.

Until we meet again, here's a little program to get you thinking. Type in the BASIC program in Figure 6 and RUN it. It may take a while, but something will happen, and I want you to see if you can find the cause. Use the stack illustration method I used in the BASIC example to get the answer.

Also, if you haven't already, try to find more alternate methods for multiplying 5 by 27! □

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STARS 3-D in Action!

16K Disk

by Donald E. Glover

I was looking for something to do with my shiny new Action! cartridge when I ran across the article **Stars 3-D** by Craig Patchett in *ANALOG* No. 16. To become familiar with the new language, I decided to translate this demonstration program into Action!, a job I thought would take one or two hours. The task eventually took much longer, due to a number of strange quirks associated with the Action! language. I hope this discussion of my problems will save other Action! programmers some hair pulling and nail chewing.

My first task was to find a place for the display list (DLIST) and screen memory (STRLIN). I wanted to put them in a safe location, while allowing easy access from Action!-generated code and in-line machine code. I finally decided to put them in Action! arrays whose starting addresses were defined such that the display list and screen memory started on 1K boundaries in high memory. (The Atari cannot easily deal with a display list which crosses a 1K boundary or screen memory which crosses a 4K boundary.)

Calculations to generate the display list required that the address of screen memory be divided by 256 to obtain the high byte of the address. Performing this division on addresses greater than 32767, unfortunately, gives the wrong answer, since Action! multiplications and divisions always assume they are acting on signed numbers. Try typing:

```
X PRINTCE(32768/256)
```

in the Action! monitor and see what you get. After

figuring out the problem, I replaced the division by 256 with "RSH 8" (shift cardinal number right 8 bits). The use of this technique can be seen by examining the procedures STRINI() and DLSINI().

The next problem was to insert the addresses of the arrays STRTPH, STRTPL, and STRPOS into the machine language procedure SCROLL(). My initial attempt to do this involved inserting the address during the compilation phase. Using this method, the first instruction in the procedure SCROLL() would be:

```
$BO STRTPL ;LDA STRTPL, X
```

To my horror, the addresses of arrays compiled into the code by this technique frequently (but not always) differed from those observed after compilation. Apparently, the addresses of arrays change during the compile phase, and the compiler cannot modify addresses inserted into machine code. The solution was to "POKEC" the addresses into the machine language routines during run time [see the procedure MAIN()].

I believe everything else in the listing is understandable, because I kept the names of all routines and most of the comments the same as those in the original assembly language listing. A word of warning: this program is designed to work with a machine having 48K of memory. If your machine has less memory, you will have to change the starting address of the arrays DLIST and STRLIN. The place to do this is clearly marked in the listing.

Before finishing, I should mention another couple of Action! peculiarities.

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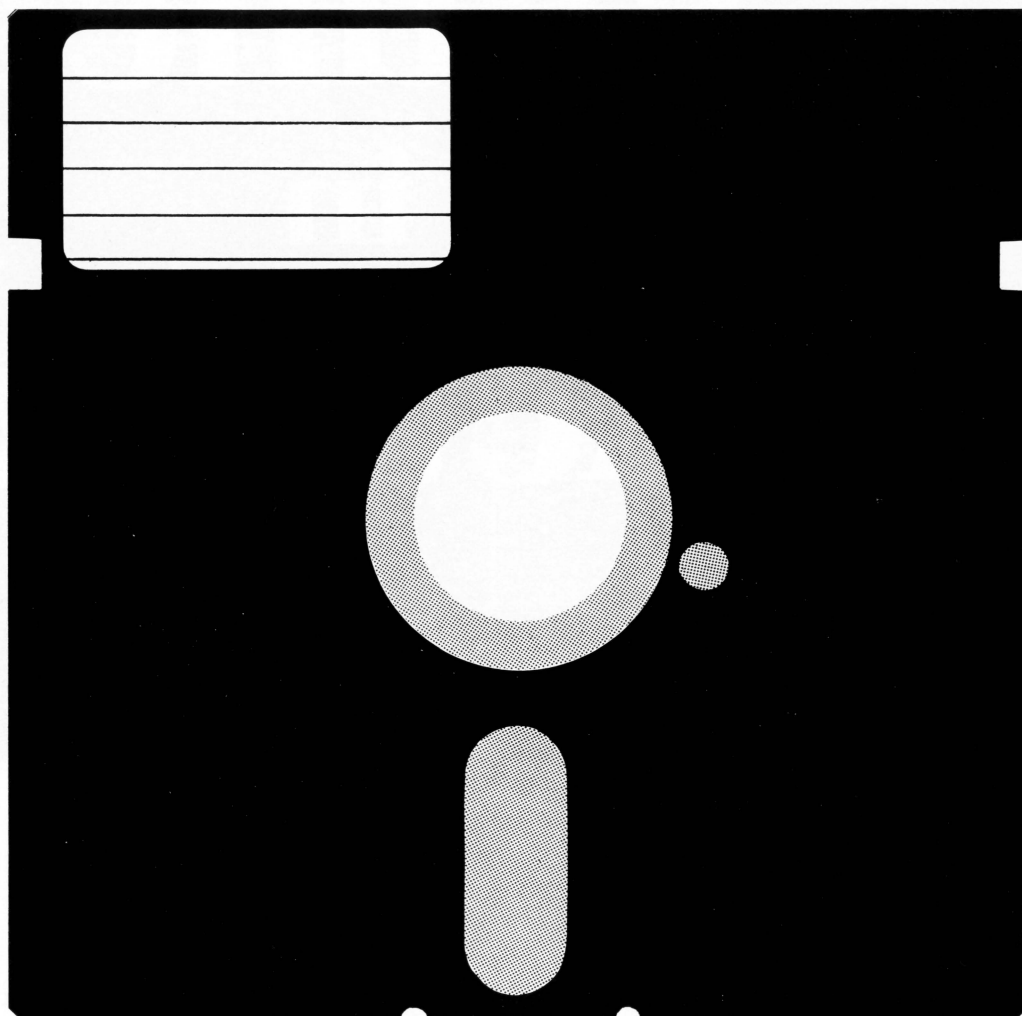
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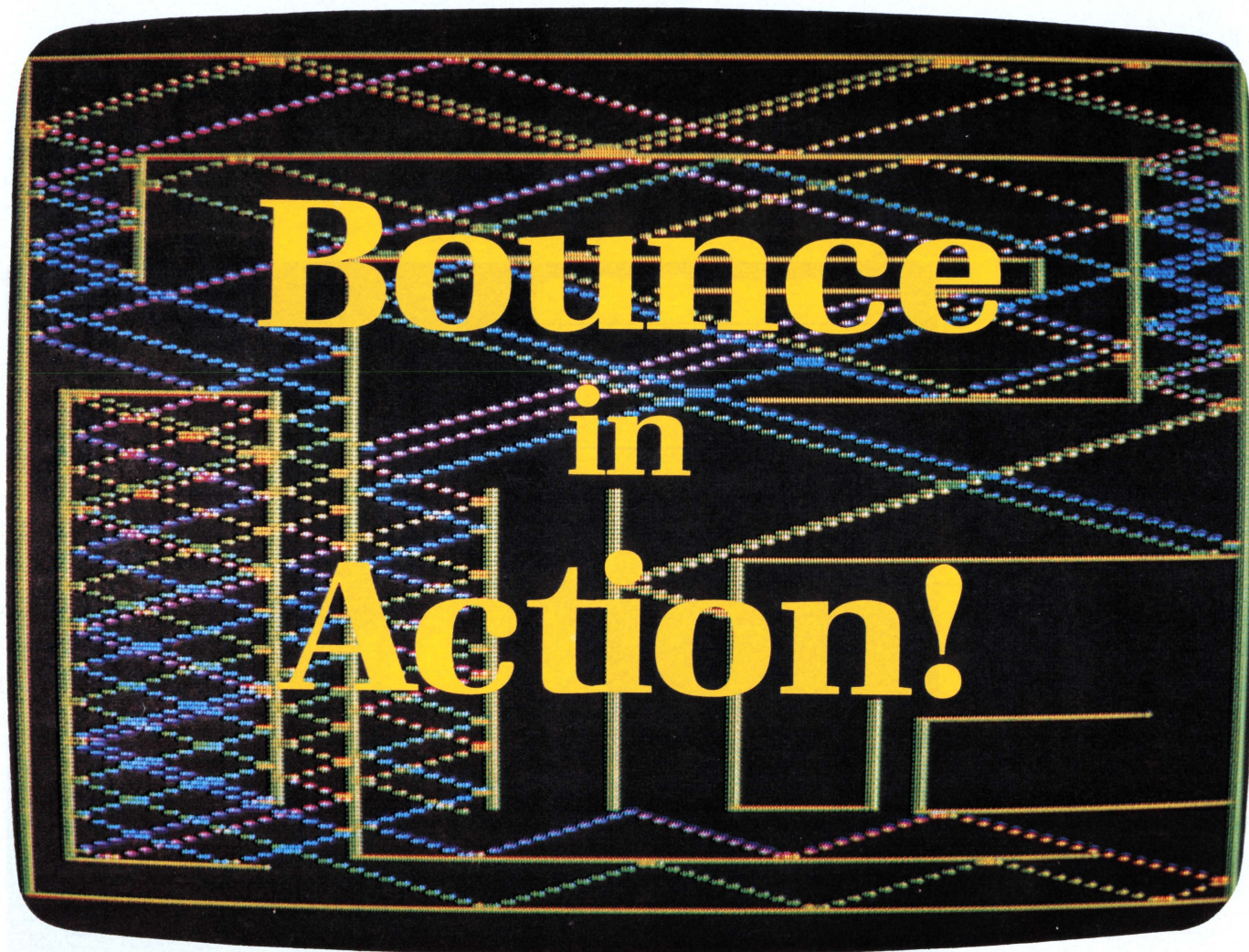
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24K Cassette or Disk

by David Plotkin

Bounce, written by Joel Gluck and published in **ANALOG** issue 15, was a lot of fun to play with, just as Joel predicted it would be. The obvious enhancements that sprang to mind included a higher resolution screen and multiple colors. Unfortunately, higher resolution (and more than four colors) means more points to draw, and BASIC slows to a crawl. Fortunately, **Action!** from OSS presents an alternative, so I translated and modified the program into **Action!**. Try punching it in; I think you'll agree that the color patterns and dynamic "ball" are fascinating to watch. To use this updated version of **Bounce**, you must have the **Action!** cartridge installed in your Atari. The program works pretty much like the original: You draw "walls" with your joystick, then hit the space bar to start the ball bouncing. Hitting the space bar again stops the bounce, so you can draw more walls with your joystick, or erase by pushing the fire button. If you press

the **ESCAPE** key while the bouncing is stopped, you will return to the menu screen to review the commands. The program uses **Graphics 11**, so there are fifteen colors on the screen, and the color of the line drawn changes each time the cursor bounces. The left arrow key (**CONTROL ***) changes the speed of the bouncing cursor; at the highest speed it's really moving. It can go even faster if you delete the **DO OD** loops following the sound statements. You will lose the sounds of the bounce if you do, however. So have fun with this juiced-up version of **Bounce**. □

Action! Listing.

MODULE

```
; BOUNCE from ANALOG Magazine
; Issue #15
; in GTIA Mode 11
```

```
BYTE key=764,x,y,console=53279,
      attract=77
```



```
CARD ctr
INT A,B
```

```
PROC wallchex()
```

```
IF x>78 THEN x=78 FI
IF y>190 THEN y=190 FI
IF x<1 THEN x=1 FI
IF y<1 THEN y=1 FI
RETURN
```

```
PROC Menu()
```

```
PrintE("BOUNCE from Analog Issue #15")
PrintE("    in GTIA Mode 11")
PrintF("%E* Use stick to draw walls,%E")
PrintF("%* Hold trigger to erase,%E")
PrintF("%* Hit ESC to clear screen,%E")
PrintE("%* Hit SPACE to bounce.")
PrintE("%* Arrows control ball speed")
Print("Press any key to continue.")
key=255
While key=255 Do Od
Key=255
RETURN
```

```
PROC drawscreen()
```

```
BYTE curs=752
Graphics(0)
curs=1
Menu()
Graphics(11)
curs=1
SetColor(4,0,4) ;SetColor(4,0,0)
color=15
Plot(0,0)
DrawTo(79,0)
DrawTo(79,191)
DrawTo(0,191)
DrawTo(0,0)
RETURN
```

```
PROC flash()
```

```
color=9
Plot(x,y)
FOR ctr=0 to 300 DO OD
color=0
Plot(x,y)
FOR ctr=0 to 300 DO OD
RETURN
```

```
PROC bounce()
```

```
BYTE fate=53770,L=[0],PA,PB,G,
kolor=[1],time=[32]
```

```
color=9
```

```
A=1
```

```
B=1
```

```
Plot(x,y)
```

```
DO
```

```
IF key=33 THEN key=255 RETURN FI
```

```
WHILE Locate(x+A,y+B)<15 Do
```

```
color=kolor
```

```
Plot(x,y)
```

```
x==+A
```

```
y==+B
```

```
wallchex()
```

```
color=9
```

```
Plot(x,y)
```

```
L==+1
```

```
FOR ctr=0 to 5*time DO OD
```

```
OD
```

```
IF key=7 THEN
```

```
key=255
```

```
time==+32
```

```
FI
```

```
Sound(0,L*4+20,10,8)
```

```
PA=Locate(x+A,y)
```

```
PB=Locate(x,y+B)
```

```
FOR ctr=0 to 100 DO OD
```

```
SndRst()
```

```
L=0
```

```
IF PA>2 AND PB>2 THEN
```

```
A=-A
```

```
B=-B
```

```
ELSEIF PA>2 AND PB<3 THEN
```

```
A=-A
```

```
color=2
```

```
Plot(x,y)
```

```
y=y+B
```

```
color=9
```

```
Plot(x,y)
```

```
ELSEIF PB>2 AND PA<3 THEN
```

```
B=-B
```

```
color=2
```

```
Plot(x,y)
```

```
x=x+A
```

```
color=9
```

```
Plot(x,y)
```

```
ELSEIF fate>127 THEN
```

```
B=-B
```

```
ELSE
```

```
A=-A
```

```
FI
```

```
kolor==+1
```

```
IF kolor>14 THEN
```

```
kolor=1
```

```
FI
```

```
attract=0
```

```
OD
```

```
RETURN
```

```
PROC draw()
```

```
BYTE qq
```

```
drawscreen()
```

```
x=40
```

```
y=95
```

```
DO
```

```
IF key=28 THEN
```

```
key=255
```

```
drawscreen()
```

```
ELSEIF key=33 THEN
```

```
key=255
```

```
bounce()
```

```
FI
```

```
IF Stick(0)=15 THEN
```

```
flash()
```

```
ELSEIF Stick(0)=7 THEN
```

```
x=x+1
```

```
ELSEIF Stick(0)=6 THEN
```

```
x=x+1
```

```
y=y-1
```

```
ELSEIF Stick(0)=14 THEN
```

```
y=y-1
```

```
ELSEIF Stick(0)=5 THEN
```

```
x=x+1
```

```
y=y+1
```

```
ELSEIF Stick(0)=11 THEN
```

```
x=x-1
```

```
ELSEIF Stick(0)=10 THEN
```

```
x=x-1
```

```
y=y-1
```

```
ELSEIF Stick(0)=13 THEN
```

```
y=y+1
```

```
ELSEIF Stick(0)=9 THEN
```

```
x=x-1
```

```
y=y+1
```

```
FI
```

```
wallchex()
```

```
IF Strig(0)=0 THEN
```

```
color=0
```

```
flash()
```

```
ELSE
```

```
color=15
```

```
FI
```

```
Plot(x,y)
```

```
IF Stick(0)<>15 THEN
```

```
qq=Strig(0)
```

```
Sound(0,(200-x-y)*qq,8+2*qq,4)
```

```
FOR ctr=0 to 1000 DO OD
```

```
SndRst()
```

```
FI
```

```
OD
```

```
RETURN
```


(continued from page 24)

Line 4550 — Compute ASCII code of distance clue, and (4560) jump ahead (to 4700) to display that clue.

Line 4600 — Find horizontal and vertical directions of treasure from Seeker.

Line 4610 — Compute the proper index number for the ARROW() array.

Line 4620 — Make clue that arrow.

Line 4700 — Show the clue on the screen.

Line 4710 — Return to game loop.

That's the whole clue-making process. The computation of distance or of the proper arrow index may seem complex, but after puzzling them out, they begin to make sense.

Endings.

When the game ends, it branches to Line 5000 for the "End" routine. The elapsed time is computed using two of the time locations, and then is printed out, along with the number of guesses the player took.

If elapsed time was less than fifteen seconds, a little congratulatory sequence occurs on Line 5130. Lines 5140 to 5200 handle the option of playing again. The PLAYAGAIN variable is set to "one" if the START key is hit; if anything else is hit, it is set to "zero."

Only the beginning.

Why am I rehashing old game ideas (you may ask yourself)? Well, it so happens that this particular game idea is ideal to program simply and to expand upon creatively. With it, we can start small and think big.

For example, CLUES.A is only a one-player game. What happens when you make it two-player? I had a few ideas along those lines the other day, and I wrote them down in the following cryptic form:

Permutations of "Clues" (two-player)

1. One treasure, *misinformation* beyond a certain range (say, five grid points).

2. Two treasures, *mixed information*. Or three treasures (1 or 2 treasures could be false)!

3. *Separate treasures* for each player: a. 1/player/, *misinfo*; or b. 2/player, *mixed info*. Players' clues are distinguishable by color or RVS field.

4. Clue characteristic: a. *Transient* — clue disappears when you move away; or b. *Permanent* — clue remains visible (like in CLUES.A).

5. Special features: a. *Hidden Bomb*, if set off, moves treasure to a new spot; or b. *Mobile treasures* — treasures move after each guess (clues should be transient).

6. Weird/idea: Players take turns at screen. On each turn, a player sees only his treasure

(which he must keep hidden) and himself. He may either: a. Take a guess as to where the opponent's treasure is; or b. Move his own treasure.

These notes may seem a bit mangled, but there are some interesting ideas in there. Of course, we don't have to develop all these possibilities at once. We can write various prototypes to try out different ideas. As a matter of fact, that's the subject of the next **Our Game**. Keep your booties on and stay tuned!

I want mail.

I want mail so badly I can taste it (no, that's just an expression; I don't eat the letters you send me). More importantly, I want YOU to vote in *Our Game Special Election-Year Game Idea Vote!* Remember, if you don't vote soon, Victor the Frightening Vote-Counting Robot will get angry — and you wouldn't want that to happen, would you? For details, take a look at last month's **ANALOG** (issue 19).

Of course, if there's anything you want to flame about, or any game idea you think is up to scratch, send it along, too. I promise you I'll read your letter.

Send your letters (and your favorite recipe for onion dip) to:

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Next month: more CLUES! □

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100 REM - CLUES Prototype A
110 REM - by Joel Gluck / April '84
120 REM - "Our Game"
130 REM - ANALOG Computing June '84
200 GOSUB 1000:REM - Intro/Options
210 GOSUB 2000:REM - Initialize
220 GOSUB 3000:REM - Init. Screen
230 GOSUB 4000:REM - Game
240 GOSUB 5000:REM - End
250 IF PLAYAGAIN=1 THEN 220
260 END
1000 REM - Intro/Options
1100 GRAPHICS 0
1110 ? "Welcome to CLUES (version A)!"
1112 ? :? "A Minute to learn,":?
" two minutes to master."
1120 ? :? "Object: Find the hidden treasure":? "as fast as you can."
1130 ? :? "Directions: Use joystick #1 to move":? "your Seeker (the #) to a point on the"
1140 ? "grid where you think the treasure":? "might be and then press the joystick"
1150 ? "trigger. If you are correct, you win! If not, a CLUE will appear.":? "The CLUE will be either an arrow or"
1160 ? "a number. An arrow points in the":? "general direction of the treasure."
1170 ? "A number tells your approximate":? "distance from the treasure."
1180 ? :? "Good luck and have fun!"
1190 ? :? "Press START to begin...";
1200 IF PEEK(53279)<>6 THEN 1200
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1210 SETCOLOR 4,12,6:REM - acknowledge
key press by changing border color
1220 RETURN
2000 REM - Init: 1.70
2100 DIM X$(15),Y$(15):REM - joystick
direction storage
2200 FOR Z=5 TO 15:REM - possible
joystick values
2210 READ A,B:REM - READ direction
values into dummy variables
2220 X$(Z)=A:Y$(Z)=B:REM - store
direction values
2230 NEXT Z
2240 REM - direction values:
2250 DATA 1,1,1,-1,1,0,0,-1,1,-1,-1,
-1,0,0,0,1,0,0
2300 REM - ARROW graphics values:
2310 DIM CH$(1),ARROW(8):REM - arrow g
raphic storage
2320 FOR Z=0 TO 8:REM - possible arrow
values
2330 READ CH$:ARROW(Z)=ASC(CH$(1,1))+1
28:REM - read arrow char. and convert
to numerical code +128 for reverse
2340 NEXT Z
2350 REM - arrow characters:
2360 DATA r,<,l,^,?,v,.,>,d
2400 REM - other graphics:
2410 WALL=ASC("■")
2420 GRID=ASC("■")
2430 SEEKER=ASC("●")
2440 NUMBER=ASC("0")+128:REM - base
number is zero, +128 for reverse
field
2500 RETURN
3000 REM - Init: Screen
3100 GRAPHICS 0
3110 SETCOLOR 2,0,0:SETCOLOR 4,7,4:REM
- background and border color
3120 POKE 752,1:REM - Make cursor
invisible
3200 COLOR WALL
3210 PLOT 0,0:DRAWTO 39,0:DRAWTO 39,23
:DRAWTO 0,23:DRAWTO 0,0:REM - draw
outside wall
3250 COLOR GRID
3260 FOR X=1 TO 38:REM - grid breaks
down into 38 columns
3270 PLOT X,1:DRAWTO X,22:REM - draw
one column of grid pattern at X
3280 NEXT X
3300 XSK=19:YSK=11:REM - starting
coordinates of the Seeker
3310 COLOR SEEKER:PLOT XSK,YSK:REM -
draw Seeker
3320 UNDER=GRID:REM - "underneath" the
Seeker is blank grid space
3400 XTRS=INT(RND(1)*38)+1:REM - x-
coordinate of the treasure
3410 YTRS=INT(RND(1)*22)+1:REM - y-
coordinate of the treasure
3420 IF XTRS=XSK AND YTRS=YSK THEN 340
0:REM - prevent treasure from being
right under Seeker's feet at start!
3500 RETURN
4000 REM - Game
4100 POKE 20,0:POKE 19,0:REM - set
timer to zero
4110 GUESSES=0
4120 FOR V=15 TO 0 STEP -0.5:SOUND 0,1
00,10,V:NEXT V:REM - starting bell
4200 REM - game shell
4210 S=STICK(0):T=STRIG(0):REM - get
stick and trigger values
4220 IF T=0 AND S=15 THEN GOSUB 4500:G
OTO 4210:REM - take a guess (trigger
was hit)
4230 IF S<>15 THEN GOSUB 4300:GOTO 421
0:REM - move Seeker
4240 GOTO 4210:REM - nothing happened
4300 REM - move Seeker
4305 POKE 77,0:REM - prevent ATTRACT
MODE
4310 XD=X$(5):YD=Y$(5):REM - direction
based on joystick value
4320 LOCATE XSK+XD,YSK+YD,G:REM - find
out what's ahead of the Seeker

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4330 IF G=WALL THEN RETURN :REM - can
not move through a wall!
4340 SOUND 0,XSK+YSK,0,4
4350 COLOR UNDER:PLOT XSK,YSK:REM -
erase Seeker
4360 XSK=XSK+XD:YSK=YSK+YD:REM - move
Seeker
4370 COLOR SEEKER:PLOT XSK,YSK:REM -
draw Seeker
4380 UNDER=G:REM - new "underneath"
value
4390 SOUND 0,0,0,0
4400 RETURN
4500 REM - take a guess
4502 GUESSES=GUESSES+1
4505 IF XSK=XTRS AND YSK=YTRS THEN POP
:RETURN:REM - win!
4510 FOR V=8 TO 0 STEP -0.5:SOUND 0,10
,4,V:SETCOLOR 2,0,V:NEXT V:REM -
special effects
4520 IF UNDER<>GRID THEN 4700:REM -
show the same old clue that's in that
spot
4530 DIST=INT(SQR((XTRS-XSK)^2+(YTRS-Y
SK)^2)+0.5)
4540 IF DIST>9 OR RND(1)<0.3 THEN 4600
:REM - if too far, use an arrow clue
4550 UNDER=DIST+NUMBER:REM - number
clue
4560 GOTO 4700
4600 XD=SGN(XTRS-XSK):YD=SGN(YTRS-YSK)
:REM - direction toward treasure from
Seeker
4610 Z=3*(XD+1)+(YD+1):REM - compute
proper arrow number
4620 UNDER=ARROW(Z):REM - use that
arrow
4700 SOUND 0,20,10,8:COLOR UNDER:PLOT
XSK,YSK:SOUND 0,0,0,0:REM - show clue
4710 RETURN
5000 REM - End
5100 TIME=(PEEK(20)+256*PEEK(19))/60:R
EM - find jiffies and divide by 60 to
get seconds.
5110 GRAPHICS 0
5120 ? :? "You did it in ";TIME;" seco
nds"
5125 ? "(and in ";GUESSES;" guesses)."
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CHECKSUM DATA

(See page 23)

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100 DATA 244,235,824,330,529,922,868,5
98,273,700,46,202,45,918,124,6858
1120 DATA 408,447,457,107,985,441,461,
135,606,407,787,905,98,178,471,6893
2220 DATA 389,546,19,800,336,280,500,9
70,550,838,925,160,479,253,441,7486
2440 DATA 19,796,550,49,388,142,115,32
2,121,446,769,547,23,344,778,5409
3400 DATA 838,822,418,798,56,979,900,7
33,345,583,196,745,955,683,896,9947
4310 DATA 344,925,529,199,196,763,352,
875,222,797,679,377,345,267,67,6937
4530 DATA 790,670,331,739,441,962,556,
276,807,671,167,54,396,528,893,8281
5140 DATA 3,720,944,867,845,737,4116

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by Bob Curtin

Here's another good one, folks. **MovieMaker** is a program or, more correctly, a series of programs which allow the user to create animated "movies" about thirty to sixty seconds long, with a very professional appearance. The animated computer graphics which can be created with this package are as good as any the "big boys" make, and you're limited only by time and your imagination.

MovieMaker is broken up into four sub-programs entitled compose, record, smooth, and play. The compose mode allows you to draw characters (the actors) as a series of shapes which, when combined into sequences, give the illusion of movement. Each shape is the equivalent of a single drawing in regular animation, and up to sixteen shapes can be combined to create an action sequence. This would be the equivalent of flipping sixteen pages or "frames" in normal animation. Many action sequences can be strung together and/or played simultaneously, to create a full-length feature up to 300 frames long.

Drawing shapes in this mode is much the same as in Datasoft's **MicroPainter** or Atari's **Paint** program — that is, with the joystick and keyboard. However, several clever little features take a lot of the work out of drawing scores of tiny, repetitious shapes. The program allows you to duplicate and move shapes around. These shapes can then be altered and duplicated, and altered and duplicated again, and so on [you get the picture? (pun intended)]. A mirror-image feature is provided, so you only have to draw half of symmetrical shapes; the computer will draw in the other half automatically. As in the other graphics generation programs, there's a zoom feature that makes attending to details in your drawings a lot easier. The zoom feature can also be used when recording your movie, to give the effect of a shape coming closer or vice versa.

Most of the work is done in the compose mode, creating the action sequences and the backgrounds. Multiple shape files can be stored on disk for use later, when you start the actual "filming" of your movie in the record mode. These shape files can also be used to build backgrounds, and accumulated for use in sequences in future animations.

Once the shapes, sequences, and backgrounds are completed, these elements can be combined in the record mode, to create the finished film. There are a variety of controls in this mode, which allow you to

record up to six "actors" on the screen at the same time. This is accomplished by re-recording additional sequences over an existing film. You can start and stop anywhere in the film, adding actors, changing colors, zooming, changing the recording speed (similar to filming in fast or slow motion), adding sound and fine tuning the whole creation by using the many editing commands.

Once the recording is done and the animation saved to disk, the next step is the easiest. Enter the smooth mode and give the computer some room. Your Atari will go over the film and take out all of the silent-film jumpiness — giving you back a work of art.

MovieMaker is a complex package, and with complexity comes a learning curve. There's a lot to remember. There's a myriad of controls, procedures and commands, and it takes a while to learn them all. Once learned, however, the complexity will be appreciated for the control that it gives you over the animated graphics you can create with this program.

The documentation provided with **MovieMaker** is in the form of a hundred-odd page booklet with step-by-step instructions, tips for advanced users, a trouble-shooting section, glossary, detailed summary of commands and (lo and behold) an accurate and detailed table of contents. The booklet is well written, clean, and (although it leaves nothing to chance) you don't get the impression that it was written for the crayon and bubblegum set. There are also several sample movie files provided, as an example of what this package is capable of when in the right hands.

Unfortunately, there's no way to play back these films, except with the **MovieMaker** program. Reston did not see fit to provide a subroutine or reproducible program which you could use to play back the animations you create. That's a gripe I had with both the Atari **Paint** program and Datasoft's **MicroPainter** program. It'd be a simple matter to list such a subroutine in the documentation, or provide one on the disk, that could be reproduced and used in your own programs. I grant that it would be more difficult with **MovieMaker**, but certainly within the realm of the possible. With software running nearly 20% of the cost of the computer it's used on, I think the software houses ought to pay at least as much attention to their customers as they do the software pirates. But that's another story.

It is a good buy. As I've said in the past, these wondrous devices are capable of so much more than creating hordes of killer tomatoes. It's both refreshing and gratifying to see programs as good as this on the market. When my kids put aside their game disks and booted up **MovieMaker**, I was interested to see their reaction. Well, several weeks later they're still at it — struggling at times, but sticking to it and obviously enjoying themselves. I think Reston has a winner. □

John Anderson's

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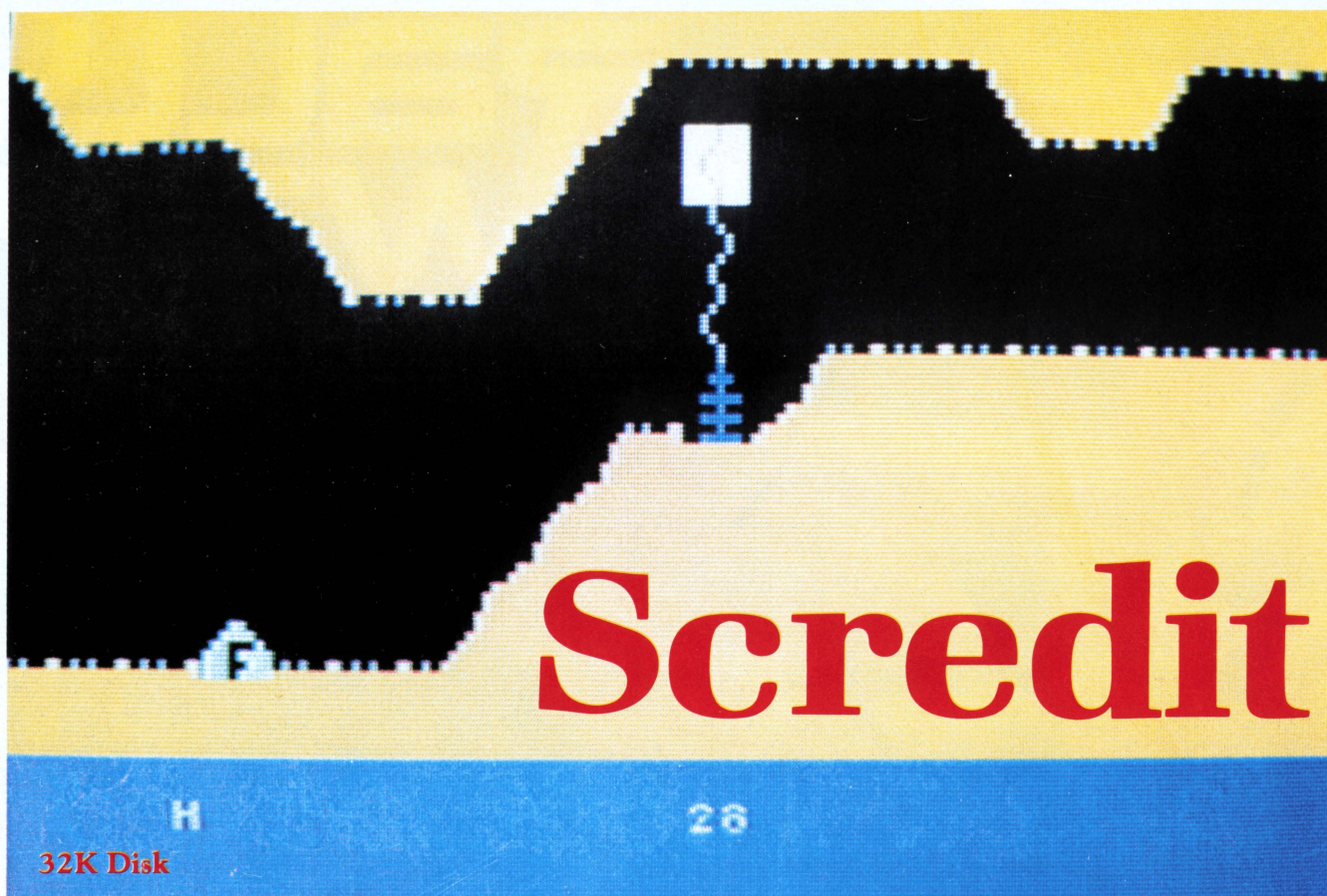
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by Ron Hodge

Smooth scrolling is the most dramatic graphics capability of the Atari system. If you've been following Kyle Peacock's recent series, **Fine Scrolling** (issues 13-16), you've no doubt sat entranced while the screen moved about smoothly under joystick control.

After deciding to set up your own scrolling game or utility, you whip out **Create-A-Font** (issue 16) and create the character set that will make your screen sparkle. Then, it suddenly dawns on you — how do you design a scrolling screen when you can't even see all of it?

I was faced with the same problem, and the result was **Scredit** (short for Scrolling Screen Editor). **Scredit** is a screen editor that allows you to design a screen simply by typing in the characters to the screen, then SAVEing the screen as a binary file.

My particular need was for a screen in Graphics Mode 2, 24 TV screens wide. While your screen may not be the same size or mode, I think you'll find it easy to modify the program for your own needs. Let's take a look at how **Scredit** works.

Scredit starts with a menu of options you'll need to get started. After taking a look at the disk directory with option 4, press 1 or 3 to LOAD in a screen or character set. The menu will remind you whether you're LOADING or SAVEing a file, and ask for the filename. Prefix the filename with D:. **Scredit** will confirm that the LOAD is complete, or report any disk I/O errors, using standard error numbers.

If you change your mind about LOADING or SAVEing a file, simply press RETURN when asked for the filename. You'll get an error message and a request for your next option. (You may LOAD or SAVE a file from any drive, but only look at the directory on the drive 1.)

After LOADING your files, press 5 to exit to the editor. Your cursor will be in the upper left corner of the screen. To move it around, use the CONTROL-ARROW keys or press the trigger while moving the joystick. If you want to place a character on screen, press the appropriate key, or the space bar to erase a character. All CONTROL-KEY combinations other than the cursor arrows are ignored by **Scredit**.

Press OPTION to change the image priority of the cursor. You have two methods to see which character is under the cursor. Pressing START will toggle the screen between the character set chosen and the internal character set. Pressing SELECT will display the character in the text window, along with its hex value.

The hex value will show you how the character derived its color. If the high bit is set, it shows an inverse character. If the next-highest bit is set, the character is in lower caps. For example:

C=\$23	upper case
C=\$63	small caps (+\$40)
C=\$A3	inverse (+\$80)
C=\$E3	inv + small caps (+\$40+\$80)

Move the joystick to scroll the screen. The cursor will move if the trigger is pressed. You can get back to the menu by pressing ESCAPE. Flipping to the menu and back is also convenient for positioning the cursor at the beginning of the screen, since you always enter the editor at the beginning of the screen.

That's all there is to using **Scredit**. It shouldn't be hard to modify **Scredit** for other screen sizes or modes. Screen and player/missile parameters, in addition to the display list, are all the changes needed. The logic flow remains the same. Since horizontal and vertical scrolling are so similar, the routines to maintain cursor position for vertical or horizontal scrolling are similar to the current routines.

One last thought. Since the logic for **Scredit** is so minimal — about 2300 bytes — it could be co-resident with a program under development. Then you could flip between the program you're fine-tuning and **Scredit** to make screen changes as needed. □

BASIC Listing.

```
10 REM *** SCREDIT ***
20 DATA 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,0,0,0,0,0,
0,0,10,11,12,13,14,15
30 DIM DAT$(91),HEX(22):FOR X=0 TO 22:
READ N:HEX(X)=N:NEXT X:LINE=99:RESTOR
E 1000:TRAP 110:?"CHECKING DATA"
40 LINE=LINE+10:?"LINE:";LINE:READ DA
T$:IF LEN(DAT$)<>90 THEN 160
50 DATLIN=PEEK(183)+PEEK(184)*256:IF D
ATLIN<>LINE THEN ? "LINE ";LINE;" MISS
ING!":END
60 FOR X=1 TO 89 STEP 2:D1=ASC(DAT$(X,
X))-48:D2=ASC(DAT$(X+1,X+1))-48:BYTE=H
EX(D1)*16+HEX(D2)
70 IF PASS=2 THEN PUT #1,BYTE:NEXT X:R
EAD CHKSUM:GOTO 40
80 TOTAL=TOTAL+BYTE:IF TOTAL>999 THEN
TOTAL=TOTAL-1000
90 NEXT X:READ CHKSUM:IF TOTAL=CHKSUM
THEN 40
100 GOTO 160
110 IF PEEK(195)<>6 THEN 160
120 IF PASS=2 THEN PUT #1,224:PUT #1,2
:PUT #1,225:PUT #1,2:PUT #1,0:PUT #1,6
4:CLOSE #1:END
130 ? "INSERT DISK WITH D05, PRESS RET
URN";:DIM IN$(1):INPUT IN$:OPEN #1,8,0
,"D:AUTORUN.5YS"
140 PUT #1,255:PUT #1,255:PUT #1,0:PUT
#1,64:PUT #1,80:PUT #1,73
150 ? :?"WRITING FILE":PASS=2:LINE=99
0:RESTORE 1000:TRAP 110:GOTO 40
160 ? "BAD DATA: LINE ";LINE:END
1000 DATA 202843202F40207940201C4320A3
4020DC40207D41A580C93590EED0062028434C
F144202843203C432040434C,627
1010 DATA 0040A220A9039D4203A94D9D4403
A9439D4503A9089D4A03A9009D4B032056E4A2
10A9039D4203A94A9D4403A9,599
1020 DATA 439D4503A90C9D4A03A9009D4B03
2056E4A9008DC502A99A8DC6028DC80260A230
A9039D4203A9509D4403A943,993
1030 DATA 9D4503A9049D4A03A9009D4B0320
56E478A510297F85108D0ED25860A90080A302
A9408DA402A20FBCB4448DB3,542
1040 DATA 44862220C140A682CACA10EF60A2
009D4403989D4503A909D4203A9289D48038A
9D49032056E46020F542A907,162
1050 DATA A230A001206341A99B8DCA44A9C9
A04420C140201443ADC944C920F0DEC9319005
C937B00160A9FD8DC944A9C9,737
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1060 DATA A04420C14020F542A9208DC9444C
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A9439D45032056E4A905A240,304
1070 DATA A0282063419810078481A2404CEC
42A220A9C49D4403A9449D4503A9099D4203A9
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1080 DATA 9D4403A9449D4503989D4803A900
9D49032056E460ADC9448580C9349009D00620
1E414C024360C932D000A9FD,112
1090 DATA A04320C1404CA441A916A04420C1
40201443A908555202243A905A210A00F2063
41201C43981007C088F0034C,961
1100 DATA 5442ADC944C944F005A0A54C5442
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1120 DATA 429810034C5442A580C931D004A9
07D002A90B20954284819810034C5442A580C9
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1130 DATA 43A92FA04420C1404C0243A202A9
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43A96AA04420C1404C0243A2,556
1140 DATA 40A9039D4203A9C99D4403A9449D
4503989D4A03A9009D4B032056E4848160A240
9D4203A9009D4403A9609D45,915
1150 DATA 03A9009D4803A9149D49032056E4
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E84CBE4220E242A200C90A90,711
1160 DATA 06E90AE84CCD4220E24218693099
6A44C860488A6930996A44C86860A90C9D4203
2056E460A9188555A9008556,401
1170 DATA A90C855460201443A951A04420C1
40A906CD1FD0D0FB60A991A04420C14060A201
8EF00260A2008EF00260A210,345
1180 DATA 20EC42A22020EC42A23020EC42A2
404CEC426C0A0060A97A0A4420C1404C024345
3A9B533A9B4B3A9B443A2A2E,602
1190 DATA 2A007D1D107F1E1E1E1E53435245
44495420284329203139383420524F4E20484F
4447459B1D107F312D204C4F,309
1200 DATA 41442053435245454E9B7F322D20
534156452053435245454E9B7F332D204C4F41
442043484152205345549B7F,680
1210 DATA 342D2044313A204449524543544F
52599B7F352D204558495420544F2045444954
4F529B7F362D204558495420,876
1220 DATA 544F20444F539B1D7F5748494348
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4E414D45204F462046494C45,908
1230 DATA 20544F20D3C1D6C5203F9B1D7F4E
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20434F4D504C455445449B7F505245535320D3
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4F53204F4E204449534B9B20,634
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000000000000000000000000,866
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1310 DATA 3E8D2F02A978D0002A9488D0102
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B545A583D018A6FEF00CA514,78
1320 DATA 2901D00E20B6474C62E4AD8402F0
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1330 DATA 464C4746C90B000620BD464C4746
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1340 DATA 1046C905D009206C482029484C10
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C9FFF01DC91CD0034C0C4920,702
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FF8DFC02A204A514C514F0FC,735
1360 DATA CAD0F74C8545A230A9009D48039D
4903A9079D42032056E460A82A2A2A2903AA
98299F1D284985F160205748,111
1370 DATA A000A5F191FAA4F8C013F015B013
E6F8E6F2D002E6F3A5FD18690885FD8D00D060
A90085F8A93085FD8D00D0A5,837
1380 DATA F238E91385F2B006A5F3E90085F3
60A4F8F015C6F8A5F2D002C6F3C6F2A5FD38E9
0885FD8D00D060A91385F818,813
1390 DATA 65F285F2A5F369085F3A9C885FD
8D00D060A4F9F013C6F9C6F3C6F3A900207F47
84FCA9FF207F4760A90985F9,714
1400 DATA A5F318691285F3A900207F47A0BF
84FCA9FF207F4760A4F9C009F01A8018E6F9E6
F3E6F3A900207F47A5FC1869,979
1410 DATA 1085FCA9FF207F4760A90085F9A5
F338E91285F3A900207F47A02F84FCA9FF207F
4760AD7802C907D00E208A47,478
1420 DATA B01AA90885F0A90885FE60C90B00
0D209E47B008A90085F0A91485FE60A4FCA210
91F688CAD0FA60A4F4C0E190,948
1430 DATA 04A5F5D008E6F4D002E6F5186038
60A4F4C0069004C6F41860A6F5F008C6F41002
C6F5186038608A102BC6F0F0,34
1440 DATA 06A5F08D04D460A21CFE0306D003
FE0406CACACA10F3A90085FEE6F2D002E6F3A9
0885F08D04D460E6F0A4F0C0,471
1450 DATA 08B006A5F08D04D460A21CB00306
D003DE0406DE0306CACACA10F0A90085FEA5F2
D002C6F3C6F2A90085F08D04,184
1460 DATA D460A901CD6F02D006A9048D6F02
608D6F0260A000B1FA484A4A4A2038486829
0F186910C91A900318690799,150
1470 DATA 3C74C86048A9E08D0AD48D09D4A5
FF8DC6026840A5F285FAA5F385FBA5F0F008A5
FAD002C6FBC6FA60205748A0,945

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1480 DATA 00B1FA293F8D2D74607070705700
6057006257006457006657006857006A57006C
57006E570070D70072420074,440
1490 DATA 42287442507442787441000628CA
94460008FF026005000034000000002F300094
A954CDF402F0048DF40260A9,18
1500 DATA E08DF4026048293FA005D9E248F0
068810F86818606838600C1C2C343736C98FD0
05201E473860C98ED00520ED,619
1510 DATA 463860C986D00520BD463860C987
D0042087463860A9FF8583A23020EC42A9008D
1DD08D00D0A9228D2F028D00,431
1520 DATA D44C004040002060000000000000
000000000000000000000000000000000000
000000000000000000000000,975

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CHECKSUM DATA

(See page 23)

```

10 DATA 886,957,808,431,727,198,599,55
3,272,701,611,124,947,676,36,8526
160 DATA 165,400,643,736,739,594,825,6
10,609,552,355,530,502,378,633,8271
1140 DATA 619,561,666,493,760,573,382,
415,551,888,586,695,839,484,647,9159
1290 DATA 812,789,983,768,887,783,939,
678,46,956,72,145,914,964,983,10719
1440 DATA 982,990,696,217,152,410,681,
680,498,5306

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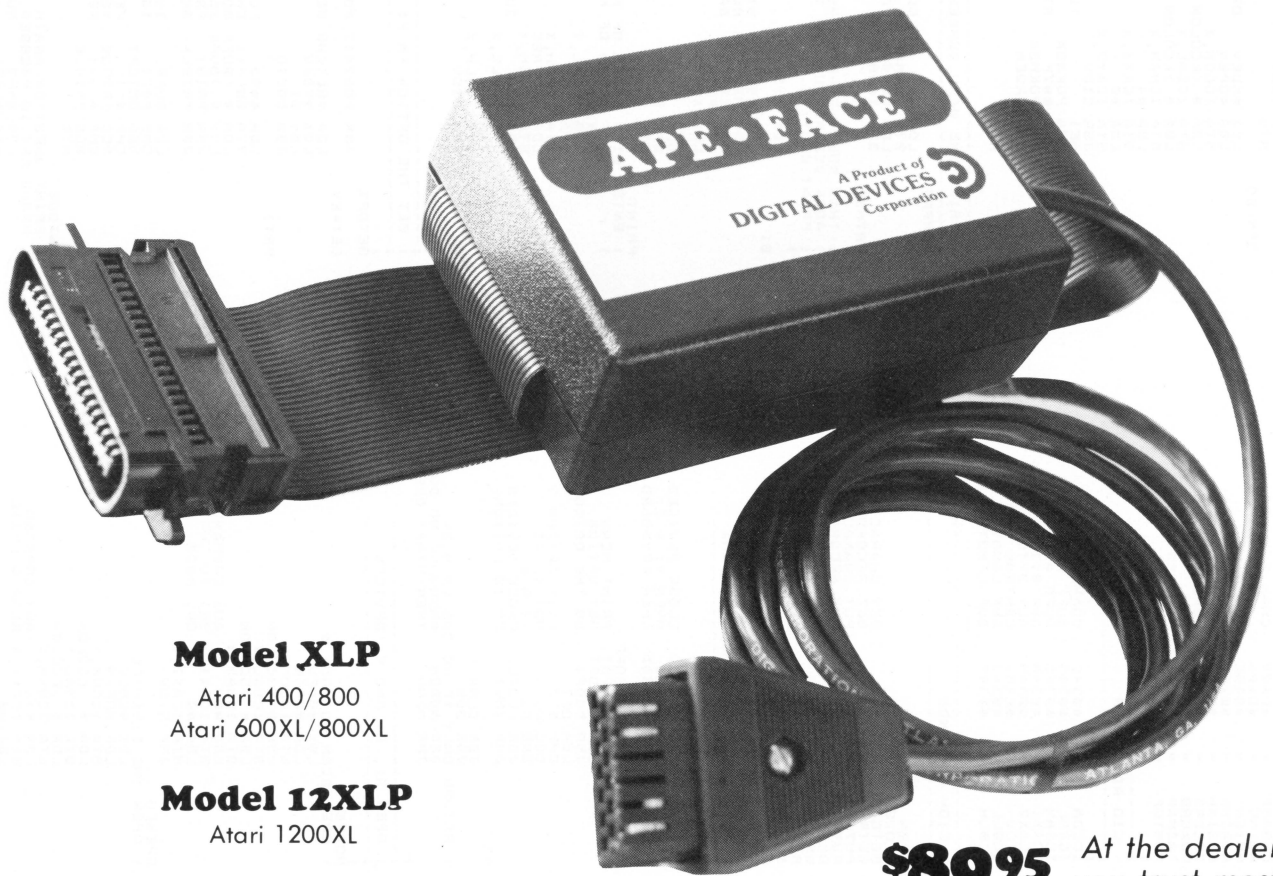
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• --- CTRL ,	L --- CTRL Z	■ --- INVERSE CTRL M
† --- CTRL 0	E --- ESC ESC	■ --- INVERSE CTRL N
--- CTRL B	↑ --- ESC CTRL UP-ARROW	7 --- INVERSE CTRL O
J --- CTRL C	↓ --- ESC CTRL DOWN-ARROW	E --- INVERSE CTRL P
† --- CTRL D	← --- ESC CTRL LEFT-ARROW	7 --- INVERSE CTRL Q
7 --- CTRL E	→ --- ESC CTRL RIGHT-ARROW	7 --- INVERSE CTRL R
/ --- CTRL F	• --- CTRL .	7 --- INVERSE CTRL S
\ --- CTRL G	† --- CTRL ;	7 --- INVERSE CTRL T
▲ --- CTRL H	K --- ESC SHIFT CLEAR	7 --- INVERSE CTRL U
• --- CTRL I	† --- ESC BACK S	7 --- INVERSE CTRL V
▲ --- CTRL J	† --- ESC TAB	7 --- INVERSE CTRL W
• --- CTRL K	□ --- INVERSE CTRL ,	7 --- INVERSE CTRL X
• --- CTRL L	□ --- INVERSE CTRL A	7 --- INVERSE CTRL Y
- --- CTRL M	□ --- INVERSE CTRL B	7 --- INVERSE CTRL Z
- --- CTRL N	□ --- INVERSE CTRL C	□ --- ESC DELETE
• --- CTRL O	□ --- INVERSE CTRL D	□ --- ESC INSERT
• --- CTRL P	□ --- INVERSE CTRL E	□ --- ESC CTRL TAB (CLR)
† --- CTRL Q	□ --- INVERSE CTRL F	□ --- ESC SHIFT TAB (SET)
- --- CTRL R	□ --- INVERSE CTRL G	■ --- INVERSE SPACE
+ --- CTRL S	□ --- INVERSE CTRL H	■ --- INVERSE _
• --- CTRL T	□ --- INVERSE CTRL I	□ --- INVERSE CTRL .
■ --- CTRL U	□ --- INVERSE CTRL J	□ --- INVERSE CTRL ;
--- CTRL V	□ --- INVERSE CTRL K	□ --- INVERSE
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; SCREDIT (C) 1984 RON HODGE
;
; ASSEMBLED ON MAC65

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```

.OPT NO LIST
.OPT OBJ

```

PROGRAM EQUATES

```

DLIST = $0600
PLBAS = $3000      PM BASE
PBO = $3400        FLYR 0 BASE
HXTXT = $743C      CHR UNDER CRBR
CHDIS = $742D
SCREEN = $6000      1ST SCR N BYTE
SCRBIZ = $120       SCR N SIZE
CHRSET = $5400      CHR SET LOC
CHRSIZ = $12        CHR SET SIZE

```

ZERO PAGE EQUATES

```

OPT = $80          MENU OPTION
STAT = $81         I/O ERR STATUS
XSAV = $82         TEMP X VALUE
MODFLB = $83       MENU/EDIT STATUS
SCBIT = $F0        SCROL BIT CTR
CHR = $F1          DISP CHAR
SCRN = $F2         PTR TO SCR N
SCRNH = $F3
SCRLO = $F4        SCRL BYTE CTR
SCRHI = $F5
PMLD = $F6         PTR TO PM0
PMHI = $F7
COL = $F8          CURSOR COLUMN
ROW = $F9          ROW
TEMP0 = $FA        TEMP POINTER
TEMP1 = $FB
VOFF = $FC         VRT OFFSET P0
HORP0 = $FD        HPOSF0 SHADOW
SCFLG = $FE
; POS = RITE SCROL
; NEG = LEFT SCROL
TXTCLR = $FF       TXT WINDOW COLR

```

CONSTANTS

```

RITPM = 200        RITEMOST P0 POS
LFTPM = 40         LEFT
BOTPM = 191        BOT
TOPPM = 47         TOP
ROWM = 9           BOTTOM ROW
COLM = 19          RITE COLUMN
WIDTH = 255        CURSOR WIDTH
HITE = 16          HITE
START = 5          CONSOL VALUES
SELECT = 5
OPTION = 3
HOR = 0            HOR DISTANCE
RETURN = $0C       KEYS
ESC = $1C
TAB = $2C
DEL = $34
INSERT = $37
CLR = $36
COLON = $3A
SPACE = $20
EOF = $08          END OF FILE
EOL = $09          END OF LINE
BUFLN = 40
EDEV = $10         DEVICE NUM'S
SDEV = $20
KDEV = $30
DDEV = $40

```

SYSTEM EQUATES

```

CH = $02FC         KEY PRESSED
POKMSK = $10
IRGEN = $D20E
VDSLST = $D200
SIZEP0 = $D008
COLPF2 = $02C6
HSCROL = $D404
PMBASE = $D407
COLOR0 = $02C4
COLOR1 = $02C5
COLOR4 = $02C8
SDLSTL = $0230
SDLSTH = $0231
CHBAS = $02F4
SDMCTL = $022F
DMACTL = $D400
HPOSP0 = $D000
GPRIOR = $026F
STICK0 = $0278     J/STICK0

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PCOLR0 = $02C0
CONSOL = $D01F
XITVBV = $E462
TRIG0 = $0284
CHBASE = $D409      CHAR SET ADR
WSYNC = $D40A
NM1EN = $D40E
ATACHR = $02F8
CRSINH = $02F0      CURS ON/OFF
COLCRS = $55        CURSOR COLUMN
ROWCRS = $54        ROW
TABMAP = $02A3      TAB SET POS'S
RAMTOP = 106

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CIO ADDRESSES

```

ICCOM = $0342       COMMAND ADDR
ICBAL = $0344       BUFF ADDR LO
ICBAH = $0345       BUFF ADDR HI
ICAX1 = $034A       AUX BYTE 1
ICAX2 = $034B       AUX BYTE 2
CIOV = $E456        CENTRAL I/O
ICBL = $0348        BUF LENGTH LO
ICBLH = $0349       BUF LENGTH HI

```

CIOV COMMANDS

```

OPEN = 3
CLOSE = 12
GETCHR = 7          GET CHARACTER
GETREC = 5          GET RECORD
PUTCHR = 11         PUT CHARACTER
PUTREC = 9          PUT RECORD
OPDIR = 6           OPEN DIRECTORY
WRITE = 8            AUX COMMAND
READ = 4            AUX COMMAND

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; == $4000

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START OF SCREEN MENU ROUTINE

MENU

```

; JSR CLSALL      CLOSE DEVICES
; JSR MODE0       OPEN S: & E:
; JSR OPNKBD      OPEN KEYBOARD

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```

A1 JSR CRBROFF
   JSR SCRPRT      PRINT MENU
   JSR GETOPT      GET OPTION
   JSR DOOPT       DO THE OPTION
   LDA OPT
   CMP #5          EXIT OPTION ?
   BCC A1          NOT IF <5
   BNE A2          IT'S 6
   JSR CLSALL      CLOSE DEVICES
   JMP INIT        GO TO EDITOR

```

```

A2 JSR CLSALL
   JSR DOS
; RETURN ONLY IF NO DOS ON DISK
; JSR NODOS       ANNOUNCE NO DOS
; JMP MENU        THEN START OVER

```

```

; OPEN S:, E: AND K: DEVICES

```

MODE0

```

; OPEN SCR N TO MODE 0
LDX #SDEV
LDA #OPEN
STA ICCOM,X
LDA # <SCOLON
STA ICBAL,X
LDA # >SCOLON
STA ICBAH,X
LDA #8          AUX COMMAND
STA ICAX1,X     SET TO 'WRITE'
LDA #0          GR. MODE
STA ICAX2,X
JSR CIOV

```

```

OPENED
; OPEN THE E: DEVICE
LDX #EDEV
LDA #OPEN
STA ICCOM,X
LDA # <ECOLON
STA ICBAL,X
LDA # >ECOLON
STA ICBAH,X
LDA #12         AUX COMMAND
STA ICAX1,X     READ & WRITE
LDA #0
STA ICAX2,X
JSR CIOV
LDA #0          CHANGE COLORS

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STA COLOR1
LDA #154
STA COLPF2
STA COLOR4
RTS

```

OPNKBD

```

LDX #KDEV       OPEN KEYBOARD
LDA #OPEN
STA ICCOM,X
LDA # <KCOLON
STA ICBAL,X
LDA # >KCOLON
STA ICBAH,X
LDA #4
STA ICAX1,X
LDA #0
STA ICAX2,X
JSR CIOV
SEI             TURN OFF BRK KEY
LDA POKMSK
AND #07F       STRIP HI BIT
STA POKMSK
STA IRGEN
CLI
RTS

```

PRINT THE MENU SCREEN

SCRPR

```

LDA #0          CLR 8 TAB POS'S
STA TABMAP
LDA #40         TAB AT 10
STA TABMAP+1

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PRTM88

```

; THIS ROUTINE GETS THE MSG
; ADDR BEFORE JUMPING TO THE
; PRINT ROUTINE.

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B1

```

LDX #15
LDY MSG,X       HI ADDR
LDA MSG-1,X     GET LO ADDR
STX XSAV        SAVE X
JSR PRINT
LDX XSAV
DEX
DEX
BPL B1
RTS

```

PRINT

```

; ENTER WITH A=LSB OF MSG
; Y=MSB OF MSG

```

```

LDX #0
STA ICBAL,X
TYA
STA ICBAH,X
LDA #PUTREC
STA ICCOM,X
LDA #40         JUST TO BE SAFE
STA ICBL,X
TXA
STA ICBLH,X
JSR CIOV
RTS

```

GET THE OPTION FM K: DEVICE

GETOPT

```

JSR POS2412     POSITION CRSR

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GETKEY

```

LDA #GETCHR     GET THE KEY
LDX #KDEV
LDY #1
JSR DOCIO

```

PRT1

```

LDA #09B        FORCE EOL AS 2ND
STA BUFF+1      CHAR IN BUFFER
LDA # <BUFF     SO ONLY 1 CHR
LDY # >BUFF     IS PRINTED.
JSR PRINT       PRINT SELECTION
JSR PRIBLK      SKIP A LINE

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LDA BUFF        IS KEY OK ?
CMP #20         IS IT SPACE ?
BEQ GETOPT
CMP #1          KEY < 1 ?
BCC PRITQUE     YES, ASK KEY AGAIN
CMP #6+1        KEY > 6 ?
BCS PRITQUE
RTS

```

PRITQUE

```

; PRINT QUESTION AGAIN AFTER
; WRONG KEY IS PRESSED
LDA #0FD        BUZZER CHAR
STA BUFF
LDA # <BUFF
LDY # >BUFF
JSR PRINT
JSR POS2412     PLACE CRSR

```

```

LDA #200 SPACE
STA BUFF
JMP PRT1 CLR AND CONTINUE

;-----
; PRINT THE DIRECTORY ON SCRIN
;-----
GETDIR LDX #DDEV OPEN DIRECTORY
LDA #OPEN
STA ICCOM,X
LDA #OPDIR
STA ICAX1,X
LDA # <DIRNAM
STA ICBAL,X
LDA # >DIRNAM
STA ICBAH,X
JSR CIOV

GET1 LDA #GETREC GET DIRECTORY
LDX #DDEV
LDY #40
JSR DOCIO
TYA
BPL PRDIR
STY STAT SAVE STATUS
LDX #DDEV
JMP DEVOFF

PRDIR ; PRINT DIRECTORY ONE FILE
; AT A TIME
;
LDX #SDEV
LDA # <BUFF-5 FORCE 5 SPACES
STA ICBAL,X IN FRONT
LDA # >BUFF-5
STA ICBAH,X
LDA #PUTREC
STA ICCOM,X
LDA #40
JSR DOCIO2
JMP GET1

DOCIO ; THIS ROUTINE IS USED TO GET
; THE DISK DIR AND TO PRINT IT
; ENTER WITH X=DEVICE #
; A=COMMAND
; Y=BUFF LENGTH LSB
;
STA ICCOM,X
LDA # <BUFF
STA ICBAL,X LSB OF ADDR
LDA # >BUFF HI BYTE
STA ICBAH,X
TYA

DOCIO2 STA ICBLL,X
LDA #0
STA ICBLLH,X
JSR CIOV
RTS

;-----
; ROUTE THE OPTIONS
;-----
DOOPT ;
;
LDA BUFF GET 1ST CHAR
STA OPT SAVE OPTION
CMP #4 IS IT LOAD/SAVE?
BCC ASKNAM YES, IF <4
BNE C1 ELSE 5 IF NOT 4
JSR GETDIR GET DIRECTORY
JMP PRSKEY

C1 RTS RETURN W/OPT=5

ASKNAM ; RTS FM HERE RETURNS TO MAIN
; ROUTINE
;
CMP #2 SAVE OPTION ?
BNE D1 NO
LDA # <SFNAM ASK FOR NAME
LDY # >SFNAM OF FILE TO SAVE
JSR PRINT
JMP GETNAM

D1 LDA # <LFNAM
LDY # >LFNAM
JSR PRINT

GETNAM ; GET THE FILE NAME
JSR PRIBLK
LDA #9 POSITION CRSR
STA COLCRS
JSR CRSRON TURN CRSR ON
LDA #GETREC
LDX #EDEV
LDY #15 GET 15 CHAR ONLY
JSR DOCIO
JSR CRSROFF TURN CRSR OFF
TYA
BPL E1
CPY #EOF EOF ERROR ?

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E1 BEQ E1 YEP, SO IT'S OK
JMP ERROR PRINT ERROR MSG

LDA BUFF
CMP #D IS D 1/ST CHAR ?
BEQ E2
LDY #165
JMP ERROR FILENAME ERROR

E2 LDA OPT IS IT CHAR OR
CMP #3 SCRIN FILE ?
BNE SCRFIL SCRIN FILE IF <>3

;-----
; GET CHAR SET
;-----
CHRIO LDX #DDEV
JSR DEVOFF
LDY #READ
JSR OPN
TYA
BPL GETSET
JMP ERROR

GETSET LDA #GETCHR LOAD CHAR SET
LDX #DDEV
STA ICCOM,X
LDA # <CHRSET
STA ICBAL,X
LDA # >CHRSET
STA ICBAH,X
LDA # <CHRISZ
STA ICBLL,X
LDA # >CHRISZ
STA ICBLLH,X
JSR DOSCRN2
LDY STAT
JMP ERR1ST TEST FOR ERROR

;-----
; LOAD OR SAVE SCREEN FILE
;-----
SCRFIL LDX #DDEV TURN OFF DISK
JSR DEVOFF
LDA OPT GET OPTION
CMP #1 LOAD SCRIN ?
BNE F1 NO
LDY #READ YES
BNE F2 ALWAYS

F1 LDY #WRITE

F2 JSR OPN OPEN DISK DRIVE
TYA
BPL SCRIO
JMP ERROR

SCRIO LDA OPT
CMP #1
BNE G1
LDA #GETCHR ALWAYS
BNE G2

G1 LDA #PUTCHR

G2 JSR DOSCRN
STY STAT SAVE ERR STATUS

;-----
; TEST FOR DISK I/O ERROR
; AND CONFIRM GOOD LOAD/SAVE
;-----
ERR1ST TYA TEST FOR ERROR
BPL H2
JMP ERROR

H2 LDA OPT
CMP #2 SAVE OR LOAD ?
BNE H3 LOAD IF <> 2
LDA # <SVOK VERIFY SAVE IS OK
LDY # >SVOK
JSR PRINT
JMP PRSKEY

H3 LDA # <LDOK
LDY # >LDOK
JSR PRINT VERIFY LOAD IS OK
JMP PRSKEY GET NEXT OPTION

ERROR ; THIS ROUTINE PRINTS THE
; ERROR CODES ON SCREEN.
LDX #2 CLR ERRR BUFFER
LDA #SPACE OF PREV ERRORS

I1 STA ERRR+11,X
DEX
BPL I1

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```

JSR BIN2ASC CONVERT ERROR
LDA #95
LDY #12
STA ERRR,Y FORCE EOL
JSR PRIBLK
LDA # <ERRR
LDY # >ERRR PRINT ERROR
JSR PRINT
JMP PRSKEY GET NEXT OPTION

OPN ; THIS ROUTINE OPENS THE DISK
; DRIVE FOR LOAD/SAVE OF SCRNS
; OR CHAR SETS.
; ENTER WITH Y = AUX (R OR W)
LDX #DDEV
LDA #OPEN
STA ICCOM,X
LDA # <BUFF FILE NAME
STA ICBAL,X
LDA # >BUFF
STA ICBAH,X
TYA
STA ICAX1,X WRITE AUX COMM.
LDA #0
STA ICAX2,X
JSR CIOV
STY STAT
RTS

DOSCRN ; THIS ROUTINE LOADS OR SAVES
; THE SCRIN.
; ENTER WITH ACC = PUTCHR OR
; = GETCHR
LDX #DDEV
STA ICCOM,X
LDA # <SCREEN BEG OF SCRIN
STA ICBAL,X
LDA # >SCREEN
STA ICBAH,X
LDA # <SCRISZ SIZE OF SCRIN
STA ICBLL,X
LDA # >SCRISZ
STA ICBLLH,X

DOSCRN2 JSR CIOV
STY STAT
JSR DEVOFF
RTS

BIN2ASC ; THIS ROUTINE CONVERTS THE Y
; REGISTER ERROR INTO DECIMAL
; ASCII AND PUTS IT IN THE
; I/O BUFFER.
; ENTER WITH Y=ERROR #
STY STAT SAVE ERROR
TYA
LDY #9 ERRR BUFF INDEX
LDX #0

J1 CMP #100 LESS THAN 100 ?
BCC SAV100
SBC #100 COUNT THE 100'S
INX COUNT # OF 100'S
JMP J1

SAV100 JSR SAVERR CONVERT #
LDX #0

K1 CMP #10 COUNT THE 10'S
BCC SAV10
SBC #10 SUB TIL <10
INX
JMP K1

SAV10 JSR SAVERR CONVERT IT
CLC
ADC #30 CONVERT 1'S
STA ERRR,Y PUT IN BUFFER
INX
RTS

SAVERR PHA
TXA
ADC #30 GET # TO CONVERT
STA ERRR,Y CONVERT IT
INX PUT IN BUFFER
PLA
RTS RESTORE ACC
DO TIL DONE

DEVOFF ; TURN OFF DEVICE
; ENTER WITH X=DEVICE #
LDA #CLOSE CLOSE COMMAND
STA ICCOM,X
JSR CIOV
RTS

POS2412 LDA #24 POS 24,12
STA COLCRS
LDA #0
STA COLCRS+1
LDA #12
STA ROWCRS
RTS

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PRKEY   JSR PRBLK
        LDA # <PRES TELL TO PRESS
        LDY # >PRES START KEY
        JSR PRINT
        LDA #6

L1       CMP CONSOL RETURN WHEN IT'S
        BNE L1      PRESSED
        RTS

PRBLK   LDA # <BLNK PRINT BLANK LINE
        LDY # >BLNK
        JSR PRINT
        RTS

CRSROFF LDY #1      TURN CRSR OFF
        STX CRSINH
        RTS

CRSRON  LDY #0      TURN CRSR ON
        STX CRSINH
        RTS

CLSALL  ! CLOSE ALL DEVICES EXC 0
        LDY #EDEV
        JSR DEVOFF
        LDY #SDEV
        JSR DEVOFF
        LDY #KDEV
        JSR DEVOFF
        LDY #DDEV
        JSR DEVOFF
        JMP DEVOFF

DOS     JMP (#0A)
        RTS

NODOS   ! ANNOUNCE NO DOS ON DISK
        LDA # <NONE
        LDY # >NONE
        JSR PRINT
        JMP PRKEY

!-----
! DEVICE NAMES
!-----
ECOLON  .BYTE "E:",EOL
SCOLON  .BYTE "S:",EOL
KCOLON  .BYTE "K:",EOL
DIRNAM  .BYTE "D:.*",0

!-----
! MESSAGES
!-----
CRIT    .BYTE 125,29,29,127,30,30,30,30
        .BYTE "SCREDIT (C) 1984 RON HODGE",EOL

OPT1    .BYTE 29,29,127
        .BYTE "1- LOAD SCREEN",EOL

OPT2    .BYTE 127,"2- SAVE SCREEN",EOL

OPT3    .BYTE 127,"3- LOAD CHAR SET",EOL

OPT4    .BYTE 127,"4- D1: DIRECTORY",EOL

OPT5    .BYTE 127,"5- EXIT TO EDITOR",EOL

OPT6    .BYTE 127,"6- EXIT TO DOS",EOL

QUES    .BYTE 29,127
        .BYTE "WHICH OPTION ? ",EOL

SFNAM    .BYTE 29,127
        .BYTE "NAME OF FILE TO SAVE ?",EOL

LFNAM    .BYTE 29,127
        .BYTE "NAME OF FILE TO LOAD ?",EOL

LDOK    .BYTE 29,127
        .BYTE "LOAD COMPLETED",EOL

SVOK    .BYTE 29,127
        .BYTE "SAVE COMPLETED",EOL

PRES    .BYTE 127
        .BYTE "PRESS START TO CONTINUE",EOL

ERRR    .BYTE 127
        .BYTE "ERROR: ",EOL

NONE    .BYTE 127
        .BYTE "ERROR: NO DOS ON DISK",EOL

BLNK    .BYTE " ",EOL

MSG      ! ADDRESSES OF MESSAGES FOR
        ! PRINTING THE MENU

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SPACES  .WORD QUES,OPT6,OPT5,OPT4,OPT3,OPT2,OPT1,CRIT
        .BYTE 32,32,32,32,32

BUFF    .BYTE 0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
        .BYTE 0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
        .BYTE 0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
        .BYTE 0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0

!-----
! START OF SCREEN EDITOR
!-----
INIT    LDY #15      INIT ZERO PAGE
AA1     LDA ZPAB,Y
        STA #F0,Y
        DEY
        BPL AA1

COLOR   LDY #4
BB1     LDA HUES,Y
        STA COLOR0,Y
        DEY
        BPL BB1

CLRPM   LDA #0
        LDY #FF
CC1     STA PB0,Y
        DEY
        BNE CC1      SET HSCROL REG
        STA HSCROL
        STA MODFLG 0 = IN EDIT MODE

COLPL   LDA #35A
        STA PCOLR0 PINK CURSOR

PMPOS   LDA #LFTPM
        STA HPOSF0
        STA HORP0
        LDA #0
        STA HPOSF0+1
        STA HPOSF0+2
        STA HPOSF0+3

SETPRI  LDA #1      ALL PLAYRS, THEN
        STA BPRIOR THEN ALL PF's
        LDA #0
        STA SIZEP0 SET P0 DBL WIDTH
        LDA #WIDTH
        JSR DRWPH DRAW CURSOR

SETPMB  LDA # >PLBAS
        STA PMBASE

ENBL    LDA #3
        STA GRCTL ENABLE PM's

CLRWND  LDY #161
        LDA #0      CLR TEXT WINDOW

DD1     STA #73FF,Y
        DEY
        BNE DD1

SETDISP SEI          TURN OFF INT
        LDA #0      TURN OFF SCRIN
        STA SDMCTL
        LDY #47

EE1     LDA SDLIST,Y
        STA DLIST,Y
        DEY
        BPL EE1
        LDA # <DLIST
        STA SDLIST CHNG DISP/SCRN
        LDA # >DLIST
        STA SDLIST
        LDA #62
        STA SDMCTL SINGLE LINE DISP
        LDA # <DLI POINT TO OUR
        STA VDSLST DLIST INTERRUPT
        LDA # >DLI
        STA VDSLST+1
        CLI

VBLSET  LDY # <VBLRTN
        LDY # >VBLRTN
        LDA #7
        JSR #E45C DEFERRED VBL
        LDA #C0
        STA NMEN ENABLE DLI'S
        AND VERT BLANKS

        JSR OPNKBD OPEN KEYBOARD
        JMP MAIN

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!-----
! VERTICAL BLANK ROUTINE
!-----
VBLRTN  ! VBL ROUTINE READS THE J/S
        ! AND SCROLLS THE SCREEN IF J/S
        ! IS MOVED. THE SCROLL FLAG
        ! (SCFLG) IS SET IF SCROLLING
        ! IS UNDERWAY SO THE MAIN
        ! ROUTINE SIMPLY LOOPS WHILE
        ! SCREEN IS SCROLLING.

VBLRTN  LDA MODFLG EXIT IF IN
        BNE FF2     MENU MODE
        LDX SCFLG   SCROLLING ?
        BEQ FF1     NO
        LDA #14     SLOW DOWN SCROL
        AND #1      TO EVERY OTHER
        BNE FF2     FRAME
        JSR SCROL
        JMP XITVBV

FF1     LDA TRIG0    IS TRIG PRESSED?
        BEQ FF2     YES
        JSR CHKJS   READ J/S,ADJ SCFLG

FF2     JMP XITVBV   END OF VBL !

!-----
! MAIN ROUTINE
!-----
MAIN    LDA #14      JIFFY ELAPSED ?
GB1     CMP #14
        BEQ GB1     NO
        LDA SCFLG   SCROLLING ?
        BNE MAIN    YES,SO LOOP BACK

CHKTR0  LDA TRIG0    TRIGGER PUSHED ?
        BNE CHEK    NO, CHEK CONSOL
        LDA STICK0
        CMP #7
        BNE HH1     PUSHED RITE?
        JSR CRSRIT
        JMP WAIT

HH1     CMP #11
        BNE HH2
        JSR CRSLFT
        JMP WAIT

HH2     CMP #14
        BNE HH3
        JSR CRSUP
        JMP WAIT

HH3     CMP #13
        BNE CHEK
        JSR CRSDWN
        JMP WAIT

CHEK    LDA CONSOL
        CMP #OPTION OPTION PRESSED ?
        BNE JJ1
        JSR CHGPRI CHANGE PRIORITIES
        JMP CLIK

JJ1     CMP #SELECT SELECT PRESSED ?
        BNE JJ2
        JSR SHWCHR SHOW CHAR
        JSR SHWHEX SHOW HEX VALUE
        JMP CLIK

JJ2     CMP #START START PRESSED ?
        BNE CHEKEY
        JSR FLIPCH FLIP CHAR SETS

CLIK    LDA #4
        STA CONSOL CLIK
        JMP WAIT1

CHEKEY  LDA CH
        CMP #FF    GET KEY
        BEQ KK4     ANY PRESSED ?
        NO

KK1     CMP #ESC    ESCAPE KEY ?
        BNE KK2
        JMP CHGMOD YEP,GOTO MENU

KK2     JSR CMFCHR PRINTABLE CHAR ?
        BCS KK4     NOT IF CARRY SET
        JSR TSTARW CRSR CHAR ?
        BCS KK5     YES,IF CARRY SET
        JSR GETCH ELSE GET CHAR
        JSR CONVERT CHG ASCII TO DISP
        JSR PUTCHAR AND PUT ON SCRIN
        JMP WAIT

KK4     JMP MAIN

KK5

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```

      LDA #0FF
      STA CH
      JMP CLIK

WAIT   LDA #0FF
      STA CH
      LDX #4          CLR THE KEYBOARD
                     # OF JIFFIES

LL1    LDA #14        GET FRAME COUNT

LL2    CMP #14
      BEQ LL2
      DEX
      BNE LL1        WAIT TIL 4 FRAMES
                     HAVE ELAPSED
      JMP MAIN        THEN LOOP TO MAIN

```

```

-----
PROCESS KEYBOARD
-----

GETCH
THIS ROUTINE ACCEPTS INPUT
FROM THE KEYBOARD
LDX #KDEV
LDA #0          BUFFER LENGTH=0
STA ICBLX,X    SO CHAR RETURNS
STA ICBLX,X    IN ACC
LDA #GETCHR
STA ICCOM,X
JSR CIOV
RTS

```

```

CONVERT
CONVERT ATASCI TO INTERNAL
CODE. ENTER W/ATASCI IN ACC
TAY
ROL A
ROL A
ROL A
ROL A
AND #3
TAX
TYA
AND #0FF
ORA AT2INT,X
STA CHR        SAVE INT CODE
RTS

```

```

PUTCHAR
JSR SETMP
LDY #0
LDA CHR
STA (TEMP0),Y

```

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-----
MOVE CURSOR WITH/WRAP AROUND
-----

CRSRIT
LDY COL
CPY #COLM      ON RITE COLUMN ?
BEQ MM1        IS IT = OR > ?
BCS MM1        YEP
INC COL        NO, UPDATE COL
INC SCRN      AND ADDR UNDER
BNE MM3
INC SCRN+1
CURSOR

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```

MM3    LDA HORP0    MOVE CURSOR
      CLC
      ADC #HOR
      STA HORP0
      STA HPOSP0
      RTS

```

```

MM1    LDA #0
      STA COL        WRAP CURSOR
      LDA #LFTPM     PUT IN LEFTMOST
      STA HORP0      POSITION
      LDA HPOSP0
      LDA SCRN        CHANGE SCRN PTR
      SEC
      SBC #19
      STA SCRN
      BCS MM2
      LDA SCRN+1
      SBC #0
      STA SCRN+1
      RTS

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MM2    CRSLFT
      LDY COL        ON LEFT COLUMN ?
      BEQ NN1        YES
      DEC COL        NO JUST DEC IT
      LDA SCRN      AND SCRN POINTER
      BNE NN2
      DEC SCRN+1
      RTS

```

```

NN2    DEC SCRN
      LDA HORP0      MOVE CURSOR
      SEC
      SBC #HOR
      STA HORP0
      STA HPOSP0
      RTS

```

```

NN1    LDA #19
      STA COL        WRAP AROUND CURSOR
      CLC
      ADC SCRN
      STA SCRN
      LDA SCRN+1
      ADC #0
      STA SCRN+1
      LDA #RITPM
      STA HORP0
      STA HPOSP0
      RTS

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```

CRSUP  LDY ROW        ON TOP ROW ?
      BEQ PP1        YES
      DEC ROW        NO
      DEC SCRN+1      MOV UP 2 PAGES
      DEC SCRN+1
      LDA #0
      STA SCRN+1
      JSR ERPM
      STY VOFF
      LDA #WIDTH
      JSR DRWPM
      RTS

```

```

PP1    LDA #ROWM
      STA ROW        WRAP AROUND CURSOR
      LDA SCRN+1      CHANGE SCRN PTR
      CLC
      ADC #18
      STA SCRN+1
      LDA #0
      STA SCRN+1
      JSR ERPM
      LDY #BOTPM
      STY VOFF
      LDA #WIDTH
      JSR DRWPM
      RTS

```

```

CRSDWN LDY ROW        ON BOTTOM ROW ?
      CPY #ROWM
      BEQ QQ1
      BCS QQ1        YES
      INC ROW        NO
      INC SCRN+1      MOV DWN 2 PAGES
      INC SCRN+1
      LDA #0
      STA SCRN+1
      JSR ERPM
      LDA VOFF
      CLC
      ADC #HITE
      STA VOFF
      LDA #WIDTH
      JSR DRWPM
      RTS

```

```

QQ1    LDA #0
      STA ROW        WRAP AROUND CURSOR
      LDA SCRN+1      CHANGE SCRN PTR
      SEC
      SBC #18
      STA SCRN+1
      LDA #0
      STA SCRN+1
      JSR ERPM
      LDY #TOPPM
      STY VOFF
      LDA #WIDTH
      JSR DRWPM
      RTS

```

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-----
READ JOYSTICK FOR SCROLLING
-----

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CHKJS  LDA STICK0
      CMP #7
      BNE RR1        BET J/S
                     PUSHED RITE ?
      JSR CHKLF
      BCS RR2        CAN WE SCROL LFT ?
      LDA #0
      STA SCBIT
      STA SCFL0
      RTS

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```

RR1    CMP #11
      BNE RR2
      JSR CHKRT
      BCS RR2        CAN WE SCROL RIT ?
      LDA #0
      STA SCBIT
      LDA #20
      STA SCFL0
      RTS

```

```

RR2    ERPM
      DRWPM
      ENTER WITH ACC = 0 TO ERASE
      OR ACC = WIDTH TO DRAW CRSR
      LDY VOFF
      LDX #HITE
      STA (PML0),Y

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SS1    STA (PML0),Y

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DEY
DEX
BNE SS1
RTS

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-----
FINE SCROLL A BYTE AT A TIME
-----

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```

CHKLF  LDY SCRLO
      CPY #225
      BCC TT1
      LDA SCRHI
      BNE TT2
      TEST FOR EAST MAX
      IS LOBYTE >225 ?
      NO
      YES; IS HYBYTE=0?
      NO; DON'T SCROL

```

```

TT1    INC SCRLO
      BNE TT3
      INC SCRHI
      RTS

```

```

TT3    CLC
      RTS

```

```

TT2    SEC
      RTS

```

```

CHKRT  LDY SCRLO
      CPY #6
      BCC UU1
      DEC SCRLO
      CLC
      RTS
      CHECK HI BYTE IF <6

```

```

UU1    LDY SCRHI
      BEQ UU2
      DEC SCRLO
      BPL UU3
      DEC SCRHI
      DONT'T SCROL IF 0
      ELSE DEC LO CTR

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```

UU3    CLC
      RTS

```

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UU2    SEC
      RTS

```

```

SCROL  TXA
      BPL RITSC
      RITE SCROL

```

```

LFTSC  DEC SCBIT
      BEQ LFTLP
      LDA SCBIT
      STA HSCROL
      RTS
      DEC SCROL BIT

```

```

LFTLP  LDX #28
      PT TO HIEST LO LMS

```

```

V1    INC DLIST+3,X
      BNE V2
      INC DLIST+4,X ELSE INC HIBYT

```

```

V2    DEX
      DEX
      DEX
      BPL V1
      LDA #0
      STA SCFL0
      INC SCRN
      BNE V3
      INC SCRN+1
      UPDATE SCREEN

```

```

V3    LDA #0
      STA SCBIT
      STA HSCROL
      RTS

```

```

RITSC  INC SCBIT
      LDY SCBIT
      CPY #0
      BCS RITLP
      LDA SCBIT
      STA HSCROL
      RTS

```

```

RITLP  LDX #28

```

```

WW1    LDA DLIST+3,X RESET LO BY
      BNE WW2
      DEC DLIST+4,X DEC HIBYTE

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```

WW2    DEC DLIST+3,X
      DEX
      DEX
      DEX
      BPL WW1
      LDA #0
      STA SCFL0
      LDA SCRN
      BNE WW3
      DEC SCRN+1

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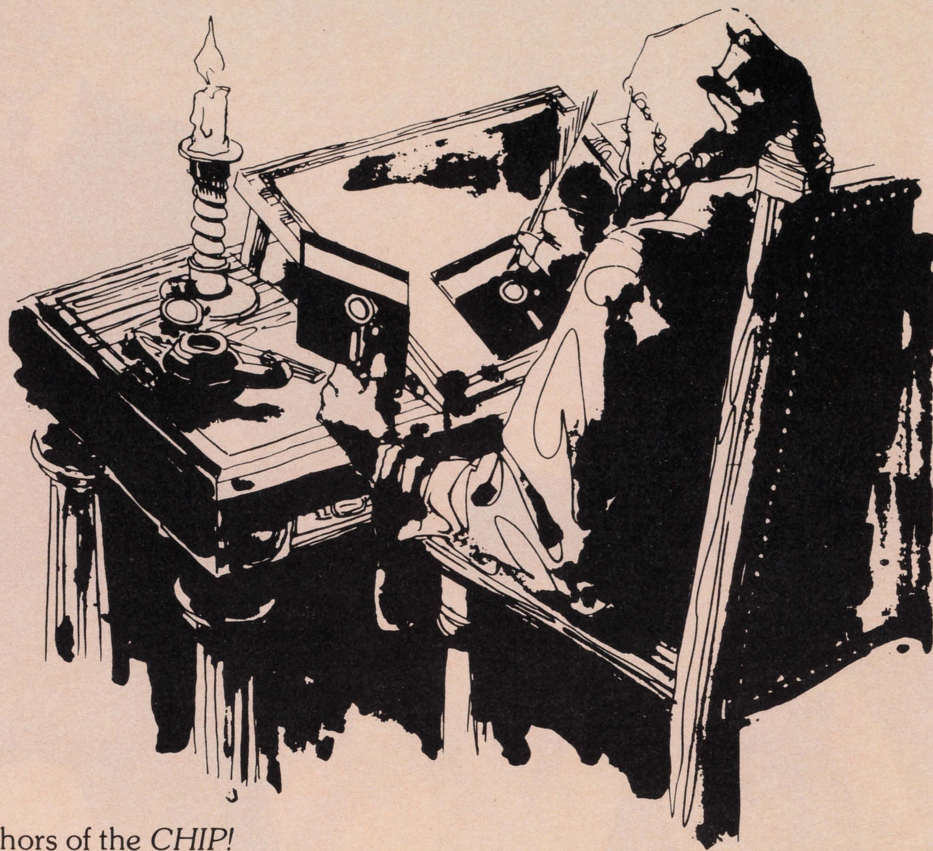
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      LDA #0
      STA SCBIT

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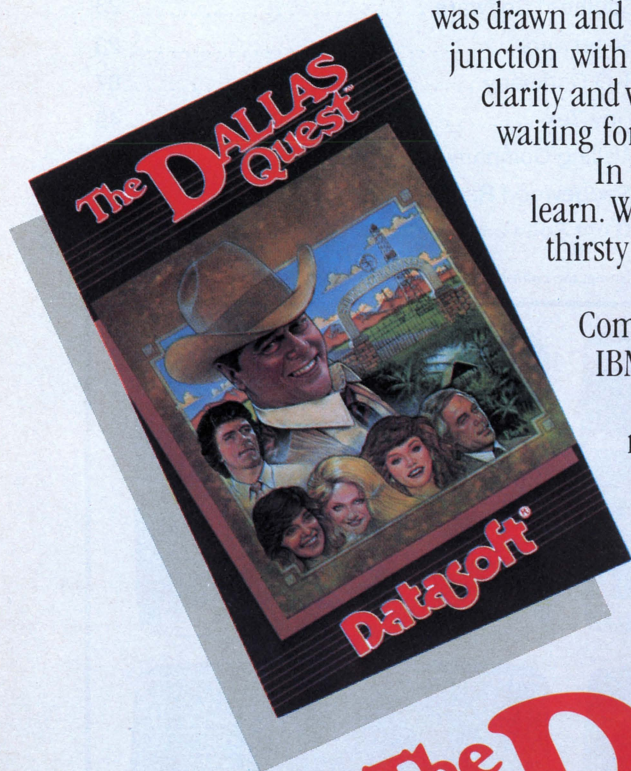
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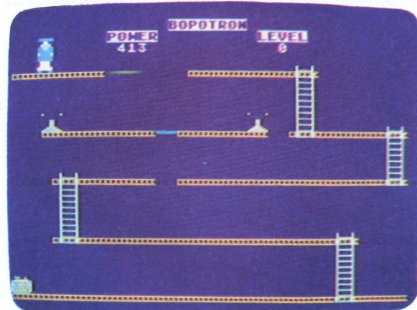
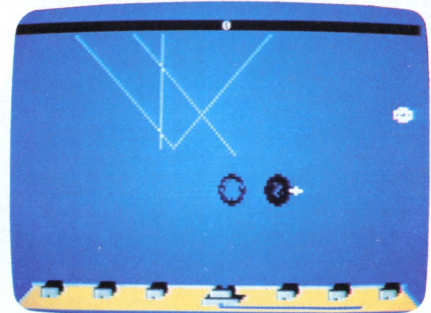
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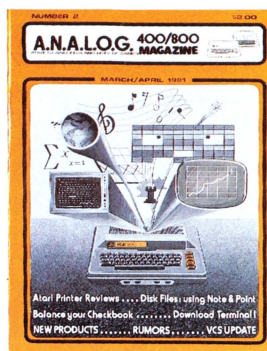
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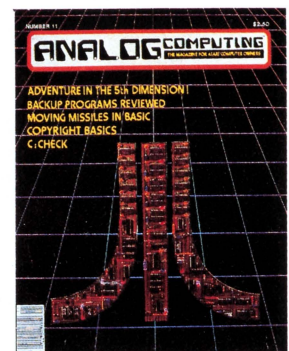
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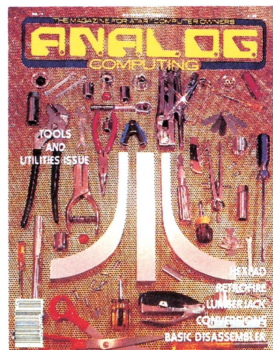
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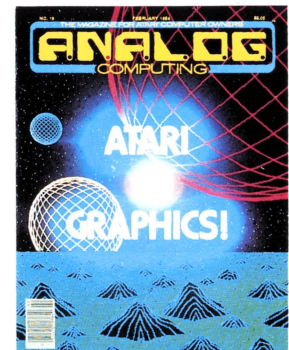
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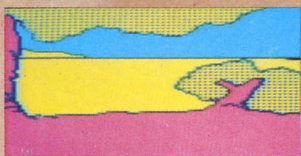
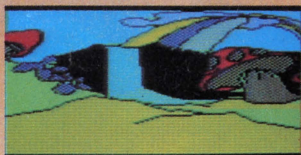
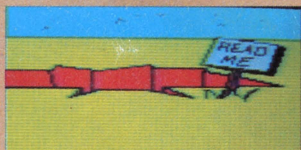
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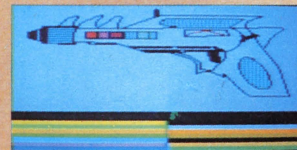
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